

Post, trains, others in strike actions

Jerusalem Post Staff
The country's postal services, trains and several local councils will be on strike from this morning, as partial strikes continue in the courts and the Interior Ministry.

The 4,500 postal workers are scheduled to go on strike today, following three weeks of fruitless negotiations between the workers' committee and the Communications Ministry.

All postal services, including telephone services, will be affected, except for postal agencies whose staffs work on a contractual basis. The postal employees said they will strike from this morning, despite the fact that the Jerusalem District Labour Court will continue hearings on the wage dispute at noon today.

The works committee says that postal staffs are the lowest paid in the civil service, while the Treasury says that giving them more money

would distort the entire wage system.

All railway traffic of passenger and freight trains throughout the country is to be halted this morning, as the 2,000 railway employees go out on strike.

They are demanding a 30 per cent pay rise and recognition as "production" workers, as well as upgrading. Negotiations on their claims between the Treasury and the Histadrut have broken down.

Three weeks ago, rail employees in the northern region held a one-day strike, which stopped some trains.

Continuing go-slow measures by Interior Ministry workers have inspired some passport-seekers to resort to help from abroad, and have also resulted in the attempted suicide of a man unable to renew his passport.

Because ministry workers have agreed to deal with urgent applications for passports, many would-be

travellers have asked friends or relatives abroad to send them telegrams notifying them of the dire illness or impending death of a parent.

Ministry staffers have got wise to the stratagem, however, and have begun demanding an official notice from a hospital, in addition to the "urgent" telegram.

Other members of the public have been made more desperate by the sanctions. One man, who has West German and Israeli citizenship, last week tried to kill himself in the ministry's Haifa office when told he could not renew his Israeli passport.

The man, who said he was penniless and would be forced to miss his return charter flight to Germany, grabbed a safety pin from the office counter and slashed his wrists.

Many elderly people who live mainly on reparations they receive from Germany are being turned

away each day from the ministry of offices, and thus cannot get the permits required to obtain these funds.

The local council of Tel Mond, near Netanya, is striking all services to the community's 4,000 citizens as of this morning. Local council head Moshe Nahum said that the council is bankrupt, and there is no choice but to cut off services, including water and electricity. December salaries have not been paid to the 120 council employees.

Nor have Beit Shean council employees received their December salaries, and they are starting job actions this morning. The council has not managed to raise the IS30 million to pay its 400 employees; its debt stands at IS200 million.

Court employees today will join their fellow civil servants in protesting against wage erosion. Their union has ordered them to remain at work and carry out office tasks, but to refuse to receive the public between 10 a.m. and 12 noon.

Haddad's death opens path to Lebanese Army



Major Sa'ad Haddad. (IPPA)

By HIRSH GOODMAN
Post Defence Correspondent

Defence sources in Israel last night said that the death of Major Sa'ad Haddad has opened the way for deeper involvement of the Lebanese Army in southern Lebanon.

The hope here is that the Lebanese Army will decide to replace Haddad with an officer able to integrate Haddad's forces into its regular command structure.

Haddad's militia has about 1,000 men, divided into three battalions, equipped with tanks, artillery and armoured personnel carriers. It is structurally similar to the Lebanese Army brigade format.

But defence sources here were sceptical last night that the Lebanese Army would make any immediate moves to accept Haddad's forces under its aegis, since this would mean extending Lebanese military control to

southern Lebanon and a *de facto* alliance with Israel. This is something Lebanese President Amin Jemayel is trying to avoid as long as security arrangements for the Beirut area are still under discussion with the Syrians.

The Defence sources do not expect large-scale defections from Haddad's militia, since most of the men in service are defending their homes and are dependent on their association with the force both for the security of their families and

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Two IDF soldiers slightly wounded in grenade attack

By MENAHEM HOROWITZ
Jerusalem Post Reporter

METULLA. — Two Israeli soldiers were slightly wounded on Friday when a grenade was thrown at an Israel Defence Forces patrol from a passing vehicle. The patrol returned fire and sealed off the area.

In a related development, the IDF has levelled an orchard wall and uprooted fruit trees near the village of Sarafand, where three IDF soldiers were shot at and wounded last week. The shots were fired from behind the orchard wall.

Shia Muslim and Christian leaders have protested against the IDF action. Sidon Mayor Ahmad Kalash also protested against the periodic closing of the bridges across the Awali River, which he said harms the south Lebanon population.

Soviets will give everything it takes to retain foothold

BRUSSELS (Reuters). — The Soviet Union has told the U.S. that it will supply Syria with "everything it takes" to retain a foothold in the Middle East, U.S. Middle East expert Robert Neumann said yesterday.

Neumann said he and former U.S. assistant secretary of state Harold Saunders were given this message during private talks with senior Soviet officials in Moscow last month.

He said at a conference in Brussels on the future of NATO and global security that his delegation was told: "Syria is the Soviet Union's only window on the Middle East... The Soviet Union will give the Syrians 'everything it takes' — we were told that phrase repeatedly — to maintain its and the Soviet position in the area."

Neumann said they were told that if Syria was attacked, the Kremlin would not hesitate to escalate the conflict.

Two-hour walkout in civil service today

By JOSHUA BRILLIANT
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The civil service will be paralysed between 10 and 12 o'clock this morning, with some 60,000 employees expected to strike, demanding compensation for pay erosion.

It will be the first full-scale Histadrut-organized strike, following the many disruptions introduced by various works committees during the past weeks.

Finance Minister Yigal Cohen-Orgad said on Friday that it is a "natural reaction for workers to try to preserve what they have."

Speaking at the Commercial and Industrial Club, Cohen-Orgad said that he understands "that on the eve of concluding new wage agreements, workers will increase disruptions to improve their positions." He was referring to the fact that the current wage agreements expire on March 31.

The two-hour strike will affect Kol Yisrael broadcasts — only the hourly news bulletin will be broadcast. Government hospital secretaries will not pull out files, and cooks will not prepare meals. Administrative work in emergency

rooms will also be affected, but doctors will continue working. They belong to an independent union.

The Histadrut unions called the strike following the failure of last Thursday's seven-hour talks with the Treasury.

The unions demanded a wage increase for all civil servants and the repeal of cuts in car allowance and overtime pay.

Trade union bosses argued that the erosion by inflation in salaries makes it hard for even workers in high grades to make ends meet.

But the Treasury offered raises only to workers in low grades, and Hillel Dudai, the official responsible for wages, would not tell the trade unionists how much money the government was offering. But Cohen-Orgad told Herut's central committee on Thursday that it is willing to give IS4,000 to those grossing less than IS35,000 a month.

In his Friday speech, Cohen-Orgad said that to reduce the standard of living to that of 1981, with the people with medium and high wages, bearing the brunt of the burden, a tripartite understanding is required.

He renewed his call for an agree-

ment between the government, the Histadrut and the Coordinating Bureau of Economic Organizations. Talks should centre on determining "labour relations for the next year," and should ensure that the cost-of-living allowance system protects workers against fluctuations in their incomes.

Histadrut Trade Union chief Yisrael Kessar said on Friday that the breakdown in negotiations was the Treasury's fault. It was the Finance Ministry representatives who walked out of the discussions, he maintained, and it was they who had refused to tell the civil servants during the seven hours of talks how much they were being offered in compensation for the recent wage erosion.

Kessar suggested that Cohen-Orgad might have been deceived by his aides. Otherwise, how was it that he told the Herut central committee on Thursday how much he was offering, although his representatives would not disclose the sum at the negotiations?

He said that the civil servants' unions are united in demanding higher compensation for the lower-paid workers and less for the better off.

January C-o-L increment to be known today

By AVI TEMKIN
Post Economic Reporter

The size of the cost-of-living increment payable to salaried workers early next month is due to be announced today, after the release of December's inflation rates.

Due to an agreement between the Histadrut and the private employers, a difference of only 0.1 per cent in the cost-of-living index could affect the amount of wage increases to be paid to workers by a much greater amount.

According to preliminary forecasts by the Treasury and the Bank of Israel, the consumer price index is expected to have risen by 12 to 14 per cent during December.

The Histadrut and the Treasury agreed early in December that if inflation for the last two months of 1983 topped 30 per cent, the rate of

linkage of wages in compensation would be 90 per cent, whereas a figure lower than 30 per cent would result in 85 per cent linkage.

Since the rate of inflation for November was 15.2 per cent, an inflation rate of 12.8 per cent or less would mean 85 per cent linkage (bringing the C-o-L increase to 25.5 per cent or less) but an inflation figure for December of 12.9 per cent or more would mean a minimum wage increase of 27 per cent.

These figures do not take into account the 17.9 per cent wage rise advance for October's inflation, granted last month to wage earners.

Workers will pay back from their January wages the advance granted to them late in December as special compensation, and this will reduce the wage increase for this month.

Assuming a 27 per cent rate of compensation, the return of the advance would limit the increase for January to some 10 to 12 per cent over December pay, including the advance.

The inflation figures could also affect Finance Minister Yigal Cohen-Orgad's position in the present negotiations with public sector unions and in discussions with other ministers about budget cuts.

The Treasury has forecast a price increase of some 12 per cent for December. Thus a considerably higher figure close to the 14 per cent mark, could result in greater pressures on the labour front for immediate wage increases beyond the C-o-L increment, as well as complicate Cohen-Orgad's position in the cabinet.

Meshel slams Patt for 'lies about Histadrut'

By JOSHUA BRILLIANT
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TEL AVIV. — Histadrut Secretary-General Yehoram Meshel on Friday emphatically denied that the Histadrut is causing economic chaos in a bid to topple the government.

Meshel was reacting to charges made by Industry and Trade Minister Gideon Patt that "Histadrut leaders concluded several months ago that it was impossible to topple the government over defence and political issues. So they decided to create economic chaos."

Meshel termed Patt's charges "brazen lies," and demanded that Patt forego his parliamentary im-

munity and be sued for libel. The Labour Party also blasted Patt for his remarks.

Meshel, in a sharply worded statement, denied Patt's charge that there ever was a closed meeting attended by Histadrut leaders at which it was decided to try to topple the government by causing economic chaos.

"I protest... that the minister is lying brazenly, trying to blur his own shortcomings by knitting a nasty, libelous yarn patterned after the Protocols of the Elders of Zion," Meshel continued.

It is Patt — together with the various ministers of Finance — who is responsible for the economy's... (Continued on Page 2, Col. 2)



U.S. movie actor Elliot Gould, flanked by Jerusalem Mayor Teddy Kolek (left) and producer Menahem Golan, pose last night at the premiere of *Over the Brooklyn Bridge* at the capital's Habira Theatre. (Rahamim Israeli)

Meridor unveils plan to renew economy

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Economics Minister Ya'acov Meridor on Friday confidently predicted that the country's economy will soon be set right, thanks to the recently created Israeli Economic Corporation.

Speaking at the Herut Party's Political and Economic Club, Meridor said the corporation comprises 300 heads of the world's top economic enterprises, each of which has an annual turnover of at least \$100 million. Its members are to convene here on May 30 to help put the economy on a sound basis and to encourage investments, said the minister.

"We shall feel the results in 1985, and the full blossoming will occur during the following year," said Meridor, who made an extensive trip to the U.S. last year to organize the enterprise.

Meridor's remarks came by way of introduction to the main speaker at the club, Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir. The premier expressed confidence in the basic soundness of the economy; its problems, he said, stem from the aftermath of the 1973 war. Israel can overcome its economic difficulties, Shamir said, because "its national income exceeds those of countries 10 times its size."

Shamir appealed for a "political truce to fight economic evils together; for there are no remedies other than those which the government is trying to implement."

Defence, Education objections preventing 1984 budget vote

By AVI TEMKIN
Post Economic Reporter

Opposition from the Defence and Education Ministries to proposed cuts in their budgets will prevent consideration of the budget proposal for fiscal 1984 at today's cabinet session.

Finance Minister Yigal Cohen-Orgad had hoped to get final cabinet approval today for the cuts agreed upon last Wednesday by the Ministerial Economic Committee. But opposition from Education

Minister Zevulun Hammer and Defence Minister Moshe Arens has dashed these hopes.

Hammer will this week examine the Treasury's proposals for an IS4 billion cut in his ministry's budget and will then talk with Cohen-Orgad, Treasury officials said.

Talks with the Defence Ministry about the proposed IS12b. slash in the defence budget have not produced agreement, the officials added.

Israel will ask U.S. to cover future deficit

WASHINGTON. — In its forecast of economic needs for 1985, which is due to be submitted to the Reagan administration at the end of this week, Israel is to list a \$1.3 billion deficit, which it cannot cover from its own resources.

Israel is expecting the U.S. to cover almost the entire deficit. The U.S. is providing Israel with \$910 million in non-military aid in 1984. The forecast is due to be presented on Friday, at the opening of aid talks.

Tomorrow delegations from both countries are to begin talks on the establishment of a free-trade zone. The Israeli delegation comprises the deputy directors-general of the Finance, Industry and Trade, Agriculture and Foreign Ministries.

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U.S. Middle East envoy Donald Rumsfeld, who arrived in Israel from Syria on Friday, is to hold separate talks today with Defence Minister Moshe Arens and Foreign Ministry Director-General David Kimche.

A U.S. Embassy official in Tel Aviv described the purpose of Rumsfeld's stay as "resting and having some time with his staff." He declined to give further details about the envoy's plans.

The envoy had been expected to fly to Beirut after meeting Syrian President Hafez Assad on Friday. The embassy official declined to say why Rumsfeld altered his plans.

The Syrian news agency reported that Assad stressed "national reconciliation" efforts in his first meeting with Rumsfeld on Friday, sug-

gesting that Syria is putting more stress on an overall political settlement for Lebanon than on an immediate security plan.

On Lebanon's internal turmoil, Assad contended that Muslim-Christian "national reconciliation" should precede efforts to improve national security conditions, the agency reported.

This suggests that the Syrian government is vetoing a Saudi-mediated security plan to disengage Lebanon's warring factions and introduce a durable cease-fire.

The agency quoted Rumsfeld as responding that "the U.S. encourages the quest for a just Middle East settlement on the basis of respecting the sovereignty of all and the establishment of relations among all the countries of the area. Such a settlement cannot be achieved except through negotiations."

U.S. envoy arrives, to meet Arens, Kimche

Fighting in Lebanon less intense

BEIRUT. — Christian and Druse gunners traded sporadic barrages of artillery and rockets in the Kharrub Hills above Israel's defence line in Lebanon yesterday as a lull silenced civil war guns around Beirut, police reported.

A police statement said a total of five civilians were killed, and 38 other civilians, including four schoolchildren, were wounded in the past two days of hostilities around the capital.

A heavy winter rainfall yesterday helped bring an end to the intense fighting in and around the capital for the two previous days.

But Christian and Druse fighters traded shells and rockets on and off yesterday in the Kharrub region along the southern foothills of the central mountains. State-run Beirut

Radio reported afternoon artillery clashes between the Lebanese Army and Druse militiamen near the mountain town of Souk al-Gharb.

On Friday, a gunman on a motorcycle shot and slightly wounded the wife of a French diplomat in mostly Moslem West Beirut.

A French Embassy spokesman said one of two assailants riding on a motorcycle fired a single pistol shot at the wife of the director of the French Cultural Centre, Jean Christophe de Chiva.

Meanwhile, a top aide to Druse leader Walid Jumblatt told reporters in Tripoli that Jumblatt and Shifa Moslem leader Nahih Berri had signed a new security plan now in the hands of Syrian, Saudi and Lebanese leaders.

Government sources said objections by Jumblatt have stalled the current security plan that provides for deploying Lebanese Army units outside Beirut and a disengagement of combatants in Beirut's southern suburbs and in the Kharrub region.

Presidential palace sources said Lebanese President Amin Jemayel, Prime Minister Shafik Wazzan and Foreign Minister Elie Salem yesterday mapped out strategy for tomorrow's Islamic summit in Morocco.

The three foreign ministers will continue discussions begun in Riyadh last week aimed at ending the strife in Lebanon. The talks were bogged down by Syrian objections to last May's Lebanese-Israeli troop withdrawal agreement. (AP, Reuters)

The weather at major Swissair destinations

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AMSTERDAM	4	39	46	Rain
BRUSSELS	5	41	52	Rain
BULGARIAN AIR	21	70	81	Cloudy
CHICAGO	8	18	28	Cloudy
COLOGNE	2	30	45	Cloudy
DUSSELDORF	0	42	48	Rain
GENOVA	8	23	37	Snow
HELSINKI	1	34	37	Cloudy
HONG KONG	15	59	66	Clear
JOHANNESBURG	18	64	77	Clear
LONDON	8	40	50	Cloudy
LUXEMBOURG	0	43	52	Cloudy
MADRID	2	38	44	Clear
MONTREAL	20	4	13	Snow
NEW YORK	8	18	27	Cloudy
PARIS	1	30	40	Clear
PRAGUE	9	48	55	Rain
PRINCE OF WALES	23	73	81	Clear
STOCKHOLM	1	33	37	Clear
TOKYO	2	36	48	Clear
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THE WEATHER

The weather report was not received from the Meteorological Service last night.

West Banker named to Jordan senate

By DAVID RICHARDSON
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Hikmat Masri, president of the An-Najah University in Nablus and one of the leading pro-Jordanian figures in the West Bank, was appointed to the Jordanian Senate last week.

Several West Bank Palestinians have been appointed in the Jordanian upper house in the past, but all are either resident in Amman or too old to travel. Masri has in the past served as Speaker of the Jordanian parliament and as a minister in the Jordanian cabinet.

His appointment takes place against a background of an anticipated increase in Jordanian involvement in the West Bank as a prelude to possible peace talks with Israel. His nephew, Tahir Masri, was appointed foreign minister in the new Jordanian cabinet announced last week.

Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir said on Friday that Israel did not object to inhabitants of Samaria and Judea participating in the Jordanian parliament. "This was stipulated in the autonomy proposals Menachem Begin initiated," the prime minister said, in an address to the Political and Economic Club of the Herut Party in Tel Aviv. Israel is looking forward to Jordan joining negotiations, he said.

Israel is very critical of Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak's meeting with PLO leader Yasser Arafat. Shamir also said, adding that Cairo's failure to return its ambassador is "a fact that injures us."

Canada asked to probe 2 war crime suspects

OTTAWA (AP). — Nazi-hunter Simon Wiesenthal has asked Canada to investigate two Ukrainian immigrants who he says are suspected war criminals believed to be living in Quebec.

One of the men, believed to be living under an assumed name near Montreal, took part in two separate mass executions of Jews, including the slaughter of 2,000 people in February, 1943, Wiesenthal said in a letter to Solicitor-General Robert Kaplan.

Canadian charged with promoting hatred

ECKVILLE, Alberta, Canada (AP). — A former teacher, fired for instructing his students that the Holocaust was greatly exaggerated, has been charged with wilfully promoting hatred against a group, a police spokesman said.

The spokesman said James Keegstra, a former mayor of this town who taught high school for 14 years before being dismissed in December 1982, was charged last Wednesday. He is to appear in court on February 1.

The charge carries a maximum sentence of two years in prison.

Rakah delegation will go to Soviet Union for talks

TEL AVIV (Iim). — The Communist Party (Rakah) has announced that it is sending a delegation of central committee members to Moscow tomorrow in response to an invitation from Soviet Communist Party leaders, who invited the group for talks.

The delegation includes party general-secretary MK Meir Wilner and central committee members Uzi Burstein, George Toubi and Leon Zahavi.

Israeli girl hopes for liver transplant in UK

Jerusalem Post Correspondent
LONDON. — A young Israeli girl with severe liver damage has arrived at King's College Hospital here for a transplant that could save her life, if a donor organ becomes available. Eleven-year-old Almoti Madmoni, from the Negev, was previously treated at Hadassah Hospital in Jerusalem.

HOME AND WORLD NEWS

PLO official: May give Jordan, Egypt mandate

CAIRO (AP). — The Palestine Liberation Organization may be ready, if requested, to consider giving Jordan and Egypt a mandate to negotiate a Palestinian settlement with Israel, a PLO official said in an interview published yesterday.

Said Kamal, a member of the Palestinian National Council who is known to be close to PLO chairman Yasser Arafat, also told the weekly newspaper *Akhbar Al-Yom* that the PLO's six-year boycott of Egypt in protest of its peace with Israel was "a historic error."

Kamal said neither Jordan nor Egypt thus far have requested a PLO mandate to negotiate with Israel on its behalf.

"Jordan's King Hussein is not requesting it, but if we can anticipate such a request by the king in future, then we must also consider the possibility of giving Egypt a mandate by virtue of its historic responsibility for the Gaza sector," the newspaper quoted Kamal as saying.

"In principle, we insist on negotiating as an independent party with equal rights and duties," Kamal said. "But dialogue is different from negotiations. Why don't we start a dialogue (with Israel) initially as part of a single Arab delegation representing Egypt, Syria, Jordan and Palestine?" Kamal said the PLO has set aside

the military option in the conflict with Israel, and is presently opting for a political solution. But this is only a "tactical, not strategic, move dictated by the circumstances imposed on us," he said.

Arafat will go to Jordan next week after the Islamic Summit in Casablanca, Palestinian sources said on Friday.

Arafat left Tunis Friday for Algiers, where he was to make a brief visit en route to Casablanca.

Sources here said it was possible that Arafat would meet with George Habash, leader of the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine, and Na'if Hawatma, head of the Democratic Front for the Liberation of Palestine, while in Algiers.

Habash has called for Arafat's resignation as PLO chief, following his December 22 meeting with Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak.

A Jordanian cabinet minister has urged the PLO to assist Jordan in producing a joint action formula capable of regaining the West Bank from Israeli occupation, the Kuwaiti newspaper *Al-Rai al-Am* reported yesterday.

"It takes full Arab cooperation and Jordan-PLO coordination to regain the West Bank," said Adnan Abu-Ouda, who served as information minister in the outgoing cabinet.

'Part of TA University built illegally'

By MICHAEL YUDELMAN
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TEL AVIV. — Many Tel Aviv University buildings and the Soraski Medical Centre in Tel Aviv were erected without building permits, Mayor Shlomo Lahat told members of the municipal executive at its meeting on Thursday.

"And to this day, they still do not have licences," he said, according to a senior municipal source, who added that Lahat tried to justify the illegal building at the city's Ha'aretz Museum by showing that other large public structures also had difficulties in obtaining building

licences. It was learned that Lahat instructed Engineering Administration head Yitzhak Caspi to issue building licences as quickly as possible to three structures in the Ha'aretz museum complex which do not need, in Lahat's opinion, the approval of the district planning commission.

Deputy Mayor Dov Ben-Meir (Alignment) reportedly tried to dissuade Lahat from disclosing to the city council that the university and medical centre were built illegally, but Lahat said he preferred telling them the truth.

Yad Vashem honours Dutch saviours

Two Dutch families have been awarded the highest Yad Vashem award for saving Jews during the Nazi occupation of Holland. The two couples, Jo and Anna Boers and Teerd and Trijntje de Boer, have been given medallions and are to have trees planted in their honour in the Avenue of Righteous Gentiles in Jerusalem tomorrow.

The Boers family gave refuge to over 20 Jews in their home in a pumping station, although they had their own 12 children to look after.

In January 1944, word came to the Boers that the Germans were planning to replace them with Germans at the pumping station. The Jews were then sent to other Dutch families, one of whom was the de Boers. A pious Protestant family with four children, the de Boers hid the Jews from the Germans.

The trees will be planted by Anna Boers for both herself and her late husband, and by Teerd de Boer for himself and his late wife.



The Wolf Foundation Prize in Physics for 1983-84 has been awarded to (from left) Theodore Maiman, of TRW Inc., Los Angeles, for his realization of the first operating laser; Sir Peter Hirsch, of Oxford University, for his development of the scanning electron microscope; and Erwin Hahn, of the University of California at Berkeley, for his discovery of nuclear spin echoes and the phenomenon of self-induced transparency.

12 killed, 69 injured on roads last week

A member of Kibbutz Lohamei Hage'tai died of his injuries on Thursday afternoon, after his car overturned near Zichron Ya'acov. The vehicle of Ayal Nevo, 25, overturned for reasons which are still not clear. He was taken to the Beilinson Hospital in Petah Tikva, where attempts to save his life failed.

On Friday, 12 people were injured, one of them seriously, in a crash between a bus and a truck near Kibbutz Yad Mordechai. The drivers of both vehicles were both hurt, as were 10 of the bus passengers.

Altogether, 12 people were killed and 69 injured in 61 accidents last week. Six of those killed were pedestrians, two of them children.

Argentina places guards at Jewish institutions

BUENOS AIRES (AP). — The Argentine government on Friday posted police guards at synagogues and Hebrew schools in this capital and the provincial city of Rosario to prevent the recurrence of anti-Semitic attacks.

Luis Comisarenco, vice-president of the Commission of Argentine Israelite Associations, said the police guards were on duty at about 20 institutions after receiving orders to that effect from Interior Minister Antonio Troccoli. Comisarenco met earlier on Friday with Troccoli to express the Jewish community's concern about firebomb attacks.

In passing sentence in the name of the three-member bench, Judge Amon Strasznaw said: "There is no doubt that in their deeds, the accused went beyond verbal conspiracy (Iim).

Interview published on Friday in *Yediot Aharanot*. He said he knew for a fact that Histadrut leaders met some months ago and deliberately planned the government's downfall.

"Some people at the meeting, however, said they would not lend their hands to such a scheme," said Patt.

Hevrat Ha'Ovdim has no plans in Eilat, "but to go there to close down the town (in a strike) — that it does. The Histadrut could have arranged for industrial peace and solved the problem of the poorly paid workers long ago. But it is not interested in doing that, for political reasons," Patt charged.



Chief of Staff Rav Aluf Moshe Levy points out a position to two soldiers of the Golani Brigade during maneuvers somewhere in Israel.

Uzan denies Tami negotiating with Labour

By LEA LEVAVI
Jerusalem Post Reporter

"There will be a lot of talk about compensating those who earn low salaries, but in the end it will be the middle-income groups who will benefit from wage increases," Labour and Social Affairs Minister Aharon Uzan predicted during an interview on Kol Yisrael yesterday.

He said he was "very uncomfortable" when he saw pay slips for 1518,000 (and less) a month among his employees at the ministry. "I asked myself, and asked aloud, how they could live on that. In fact, that

was the only reason that I did not issue back-to-work orders during the partial strike. If we need these people, we should pay them a living wage; if not, we should fire them." He said he had proposed a 15 per cent wage increase for public employees earning less than IS30,000 a month.

Uzan said his party Tami is not negotiating with the Alignment about forming an alternative government, and will not hold such negotiations while Tami is part of the current government. It would be unfair and dishonest, he said, for a party to be in one government and

simultaneously negotiate with that government's political rival. "What (Tami leader MK) Aharon Abuhutzeira said was that over the next two weeks, while the economic programme is being hammered out, we shall see if our needs are satisfied. If not, we shall see what we should do. That could mean working for early elections."

He said Tami is satisfied with the budget compromise, but that this is only the first stage of the economic programme. Tami demands that its ideas for taking money from the "haves" at least be considered by the government.

Harassment of Egyptian diplomats

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Acts of harassment and threats against Egyptian diplomats in Tel Aviv continue, according to Egyptian Charge d'Affairs Mohammed Bassyouni.

On Friday, the Egyptian press councillor received another threatening letter in Hebrew, telling him to go home. Previously, the same diplomat, who lives on Rehov Frishman in the centre of town, had his car tires slashed and the car seats cut. The car was parked in front of his house. He also received previous threatening phone calls and letters.

Similar acts of vandalism happened recently to other members of the Egyptian diplomatic community in Tel Aviv, some of whom had their flats broken into with considerable damage caused to the furniture, but hardly any items taken.

Tel Aviv District police commander Nitzav Avraham Turgeman recently met with Bassyouni and explained to him that he does not have sufficient manpower to give proper protection to individual Egyptian diplomats and their families.

5,000 Egyptians attend anti-Camp David rally

CAIRO (Reuters). — A popular opposition-led rally held to mark the death of Gamal Abdel-Nasser urged Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak to scrap the Egyptian-Israeli Camp David accords and sever ties with both Israel and the U.S.

Yesterday's rally, the first of its kind in Egypt since Nasser's death 13 years ago, also chanted slogans against assassinated president Anwar Sadat and called for the formation of a new pro-Nasser opposition party.

Some 5,000 people chanted: "Down with Camp David..."

Paul Ben-Haim, composer, dies in Tel Aviv, aged 86

Paul (Shaul) Ben-Haim, one of Israel's outstanding composers, died yesterday in Tel Aviv, aged 86. His music successfully blended western and oriental elements, while his prolific activities and great talent won him universal applause and recognition.

Ben-Haim was born on July 5, 1897, in Munich, Germany, and started playing the violin at nine, soon showing a special gift for composition. He was 12 when he composed his first piece for the school choir.

Following service in the German Army in World War I and graduation in 1919 from the Munich Academy of Music, Ben-Haim found employment in the Munich and Augsburg theatres.

Ben-Haim came to this country in 1932, starting his professional career here as a pianist.

He married Helena Hacham in 1934, and they had a son, Yoram. Ben-Haim composed symphonies, piano and violin concertos. His *Suite for Israel* and *Fantasia* are his best-known works.

Frutarom management still barring workers

ACRE (Iim). — The week-long lock-out of some 600 workers at the Frutarom chemical complex here continues today, after negotiations to end the dispute broke down on Friday between Histadrut acting secretary-general Yisrael Kessar and Manufacturers' Association representative Uzi Netanel.

The Acre Labour Council is to attempt to mediate the dispute today. The "defensive strike" by the management came after it suddenly retracted its signed agreement with Frutarom workers over new working conditions. Following this, the workers began a partial strike, and the management locked them out.

The Israel Defence Forces mourns the death of

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In deep sorrow we announce the passing of our beloved

PAUL BEN-HAIM

The funeral will be held today, Sunday, January 15, 1984 in Jerusalem.

For details of the time and place of the funeral please call: 03-281538.

The Bereaved:
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His son and daughter-in-law — Yoram and Efrat Ben-Haim
His grandchildren
His niece — Eva Freudenreich

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In deep sorrow we announce the passing of my beloved husband and our dear father and brother.

Dr. DAVID CAPLAN

The funeral will leave today, Sunday, January 15, 1984 at 1 p.m. from the Municipal Funeral Parlour, 5 Rehov Dafna, Tel Aviv, for the Holon cemetery.

The Bereaved Family

In profound grief we announce the passing of the beloved head of our family

LEON FRENKEL

of Kalisch.

The funeral will leave at 2 p.m. today, Sunday, January 15, 1984, from the Municipal Funeral Parlour on Rehov Dafna, for the Kiryat Shaul cemetery, Tel Aviv. Bus transport will be available at 2 p.m. at the Funeral Parlour.

Shiva at the residence of the deceased, 13 Rehov Hava Hadasha, Kikar Hamedina, Tel Aviv.

The Bereaved:
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Lerner family, Montreal
Springer family, Munich
and all the family in Israel and abroad

We deeply mourn the death of my beloved husband and our father and grandfather

Dr. SHALOM SAMUELSON

Wife — Yenny
Daughter — Miriam Eliaz
Son-in-law — Eli Eliaz
and grandchildren

The funeral will take place at 11 a.m. today, Sunday, January 15, 1984, at Kfar Samir Cemetery, Haifa. Transportation from 24 Ya'arot Street, Haifa at 10.30 a.m.

On the 30th day after the passing of the dear wife, our mother and sister

JUDITH FRIED

we will hold a graveside memorial service and unveiling of the tombstone on Tuesday January 17, 1984 at 3 p.m. at the Rehovot Cemetery.

The Family

Strike-era port fees remain in full force

By YA'ACOV FRIEDLER
Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — The delay surcharge on all cargoes passing through Ashdod and Haifa ports, imposed by the shipping companies a month ago as a result of the stevedores' strike, is still in force and costing millions of shekels.

The surcharge on import cargoes amounts to 10 per cent and on exports 5 per cent of the freight charges. Shipping companies have refused to cancel it on the grounds they have not yet covered the losses suffered in the strike.

Cargo owners are pressing for a cancellation and are considering legal action to have it abrogated. Shippers Council director Aryeh Mehoual said on Friday.

On Friday, outgoing Haifa port manager Moshe Haral said in an interview that all the congestion caused during the strike has been eliminated and no ships need wait more than the usual period. But indirect disruptions continue because cargoes discharged in Limassol or

Piraeus by ships refusing to come here during the strike are still being brought in. The shipping lines' schedules are also not yet back to their routine.

On the other hand, the six million-ton case of citrus fruit of the season was shipped from Haifa on Friday, bringing the port's total equal to the amount shipped last year during the same period. All the hold-ups caused both by the strike and the late start of the picking season, due to the weather conditions, have been made up.

The Citrus Marketing Board plans to export 42 million cases this year, two million more than last year's total, and Haifa expects to handle just over 50 per cent of the export, as it did last year.

Haral said that by the end of the month, 70 stevedores will be retired as a result of the higher-pay-for-higher-output agreement that settled the strike, and the size of the work gangs will be reduced. This will open the way for the remaining men to get the full benefit of the agreement.

'Painful economic reality' to bring new gov't—Peres

By LEA LEVAVI
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Labour party chairman Shimon Peres predicted yesterday "the painful economic reality" will result in an eventual change of government. In a Kol Yisrael interview, Peres said that the government has "lost the faith of the people."

Current optimistic statements by cabinet ministers remind him of their optimism three months ago about former finance minister Yoram Aridor's policies, Peres said. The Likud government has lowered the value of the currency, of work and of human life.

Peres disclosed that a senior Likud politician approached him last week about establishing a coalition between the two major blocs. "I don't think the people who still talk about a 'national unity government' are serious," he told the interviewer. "We made a serious attempt to form such a government on an ideological basis, and it did not work. The only other alternative is to form a national unity government

in keeping with the size of the parties in the Knesset, in other words under Alignment leadership."

The interviewer noted that the Labour Party has not revealed its own economic programme. Perhaps, he suggested, the public is afraid of what Labour may do if it gains power.

Peres said that the guiding principle of Labour's economic policies is that government expenses have to be reduced; not by hurting education and health but by saving on Judea and Samaria and Lebanon.

"Would any of us in a Labour government sleep at night if even one moshav were in danger of being dismantled, or if 62-year-old workers at Rogosin or anywhere else were in danger of losing their jobs three years before retirement? We will have to go from moshav to moshav, from factory to factory, and rebuild the country. For 29 years, we ran the country with inflation that did not surpass 30 or 40 per cent, with a social gap which was not catastrophic and with food on every family's table."

Saguy: Lebanon casualties hurt morale

The only way Israel can guarantee peace for Galilee is to hold and patrol those areas in Lebanon from which terrorist action against the northern settlements is possible, former army intelligence chief Yehoshua Saguy said during an interview broadcast on Israel Television and Army Radio Friday evening.

"If the minimum goal of the war is peace for Galilee — and I do not see any chance of anyone retreating from that goal today — then no one but the Israel Defence Forces can achieve it. Expecting a local militia or the Lebanese Army to do it is unrealistic, to put it mildly."

"A Katyusha rocket can travel 22 kilometres, so that is the area we would have to hold," he went on.

He said the Israeli military presence in Lebanon does not detract from the army's ability to fight against Syria, or anyone else, if that should become necessary. But the large number wounded in terrorist attacks is lowering morale, he said.

"The soldiers do not understand the point of staying there, and say that if we are eventually going to leave, why not right now."

Asked if it is possible to eliminate the terrorist threat against the IDF in Lebanon, Saguy said that nothing is impossible, but that the investment required would be more than Israel could afford.

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Major Sa'ad Haddad stands with his South Lebanon militia unit at Bint Jbeil, in a picture taken four years ago. (Lester Millman)

Police team will check land deals on W. Bank

By ROBERT ROSENBERG
Jerusalem Post Reporter

An eight-man police team is being set up to investigate criminal activities by land dealers in the West Bank.

During the past few years there have been increasing numbers of complaints by Arab landowners and Jewish settlers concerning illegal transactions, extortion and fraud over land speculation and sale.

Incidents range from violence or threats of violence against Arab landowners to force them to sell land,

to fraudulent claims of ownership and illegal sales of land to unsuspecting Israelis.

The special unit will be commanded — depending on the direction of its investigations — by either the criminal investigation department or by the national fraud squad.

Squad personnel will include professionals in the fields of law and accounting, as well as trained detectives.

The unit was planned and proposed by Nitzav Yehzekel Carty, head of the police force's criminal investigation department.

Suspected killer makes suicide attempt in prison

By ROBERT ROSENBERG
Jerusalem Post Reporter

The main suspect in the Jerusalem gangland slaying case was in stable condition but still unconscious last night after swallowing a still undetermined amount of drugs.

Twenty-four-year-old Avner Kol was in a Jerusalem hospital under heavy guard yesterday, and police said, he will most likely remain in hospital for several more days. He was found comatose in his Russian Compound holding cell on Friday morning.

Police sources believe that Kol had the drugs hidden in his rectum,

because since his detention last week, nobody but the arresting officers has been alone with him. Police said last night that Kol regularly maintained an "internal" drug cache.

Last week, Kol tried eating crushed glass in an attempt to be hospitalized, but police managed to prevent him from swallowing any of the slivers.

Kol is suspected of trying to kill Mevasseret Zion resident Ya'acov Shitrit last month. Shitrit is in hospital with police protection. Kol is expected to be tried for his alleged role in at least one murder and several other attempted killings as well.

Complaint filed against Haifa play

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — A religious group has filed a complaint against the Haifa City Theatre for allegedly breaking the law on "offending religious feelings."

United Religious Front chairman Moshe Blithenthal on Friday alleged that several passages in the theatre's current play, *Messiah*, are "blasphemous" and have offended the feelings of observant Jews.

He applied to the police under an old British Mandate law, which was renewed by the Knesset in 1977, after the theatre management indignantly rejected as a "violation of artistic freedom" a previous appeal to Mayor Arye Gurel to have the passages deleted.

The play, by the Jewish Anglo-American playwright Martin

Sherman, is about the Shabbat Zvi messianic movement. In a dialogue with God, a character says: "You do not exist." "Cursed be you, Almighty" and "I hate you."

The theatre management noted, in rejecting Blithenthal's appeal to delete the passages, that the text had been approved by the censorship board. It also noted that Sherman, who was here for rehearsals, had objected to deletions, but that last year they voluntarily rewrote some passages in the play *A Jewish Soul* after author Yehoshua Sobol had agreed to the changes.

Blithenthal argued that if a play included material offensive to non-Jewish communities, the theatre would not touch it, as there would be a public outcry. He held that the feelings of Jews also deserve such consideration.

One of the Mu'adi brothers cleared of Abu Rabia murder

The Supreme Court on Friday overturned the conviction of Dahesh Mu'adi, 36, for the murder three years ago of Beduin MK Hamad Abu Rabia and found him guilty only of being an accessory after the fact. The court also reduced his life sentence to three years in prison, and ordered him released.

Seif, Dahesh and Ha'el Mu'adi, the three sons of former Druse MK Jaber Mu'adi, were found guilty by the Jerusalem District Court on January 28, 1982, of the murder of Abu Rabia, who had refused to give up his Knesset seat to their father under a rotation agreement.

The brothers appealed to the Supreme Court, arguing that their confessions had been obtained by the police under pressure. They did not testify at the district court trial. The Supreme Court ruled that their confessions were acceptable,

even though the police had indeed used psychological pressure to obtain them. The court said that this was not illegal provided that the court believed the truth had been discovered.

The district court at the time found that Seif, 24, had fired the shots which killed Abu Rabia outside Jerusalem's Holyland Hotel, and that Dahesh and Ha'el, 22, had assisted in the murder. All three were sentenced to life imprisonment.

The Supreme Court upheld the convictions of Seif and Ha'el, but found that Dahesh had only been an accessory after the fact.

Former MK Jaber Mu'adi said yesterday that he would only celebrate when all three sons were freed from jail. "One eye is rejoicing and one eye is still weeping," he said. Hundreds of Druse visited the Mu'adi home in the Galilee village of Yirka to congratulate the family on Dahesh's release.



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Sadness and relief at Haddad's death

By DAVID BERNSTEIN
Post Middle East Affairs Reporter:

THE DEATH of Major Sa'ad Haddad will have been received with sadness by those responsible for Israel's policy in southern Lebanon.

Sadness, because Haddad was a brave and loyal friend of Israel, whose Christian militia in the narrow strip between the northern border and the Litani River did sterling service in the years preceding the invasion of Lebanon by keeping PLO attacks on Israeli settlements in Galilee to a minimum.

But that sadness will undoubtedly be tempered by something approaching relief. For despite — or perhaps because of — his unwavering loyalty, Haddad proved to be more of a hindrance than a help in the new circumstances that emerged following the invasion.

Almost immediately, Haddad was seen as something of an embarrassment by those who held out hopes for far-reaching cooperation with the Phalange-led establishment in

Beirut, which made it clear that any such cooperation would have to be at Haddad's expense.

With the fading of these hopes after the assassination of Bashir Jemayel, Haddad's stock rose somewhat as ambitious plans were drawn up to extend his control over the whole of southern Lebanon up to the Awali River — the security zone currently under Israeli control.

These plans never got properly off the ground, mainly because of the deep-seated resistance of the Shia Muslim majority in the area to any form of cooperation with Haddad.

There are those who believe that the attempt to foist Haddad on the antipathetic Shia population in southern Lebanon was a bad tactical error, and may have irretrievably alienated a population that was at first largely inclined to cooperate with Israel.

NOW THAT Haddad is dead, with no credible successor, his militia are likely to fall apart as an effective

fighting force. The way may thus be open to retrieve at least something from the lost opportunities with the Shias.

It may well be too late to foster the kind of close cooperation with the Shia militias many believe was once possible, but it may yet be possible for Israel to pave the way for their cooperation with the central government in Beirut.

This could enable either the deployment of the Lebanese Army itself in Shia areas of southern Lebanon — which would have been viewed as a slight to Haddad — or the organization of the militias into a force responsible for security in the area.

Either course would considerably improve the prospects of an eventual Israeli withdrawal from Lebanon — especially when it is recalled that the Shia militias, although far less well equipped and trained than Haddad's, did an effective job of keeping the PLO out of their villages in Southern Lebanon prior to the Israeli invasion.

A stable figure in a shifting land

SA'AD HADDAD was a farmer's son who, as a small boy, enjoyed watching the Lebanese soldiers marching through the village of Marjayoun in south Lebanon, where he was born in 1937. The picture of them, led by their French-trained officers in splendid uniforms, mounted on fine steeds, made such an impression that he decided to break with the family tradition and become a soldier.

He trained at a military college in Lebanon, and also studied at an infantry school in France and an artillery school in the U.S.

Haddad was a born soldier. He remained one even when politics, planning and concern for the people of southern Lebanon became his main preoccupations. This last caused him to cut his ties with the weak central government when he perceived a direct threat to their freedom from Palestinian terrorists.

Religion played a small but integral part in his life. Small, because unlike his Greek-Catholic co-religionists, Haddad was essentially a liberal, and welcomed Moslems in his ranks. Integral, because he defended the Christian minority of southern Lebanon from primarily Moslem enemies.

HADDAD WAS a Lebanese nationalist. He envisaged an independent Lebanon in which Christians and Moslems would co-exist in peace.

This was an ideal which in his eyes was violated by the presence in Lebanon of both Syria and the PLO. While he found the "Good Fence" cooperation with Israel necessary, he resented the accusations that his dependence on Israeli arms, economic aid and logistics made him a vassal. He believed during the '70s that he was creating an enclave which could serve as a model for the whole of Lebanon, and that his relations with Israel resembled those between two sovereign states.

But his breaking of the Arab taboo on relations with Israel was not born of necessity alone. It was the bold and courageous attempt of a brave man who saw beyond the political hypocrisy of the Arab states. Like Anwar Sadat, he came to the conclusion that Israel must be admitted into the family of nations for the benefit of the whole area.

In return, Israel wholeheartedly supported Haddad and his forces, which provided the first line of defence for Galilee, and often succeeded in blocking terrorist infiltration.

MAJOR HADDAD was a tough man, but his task was difficult and dangerous. He must have been particularly hurt when he was denounced as a traitor by the Lebanese government. With his heavy build, his ruddy complexion and his soldierly manner, he rarely betrayed any sign of anxiety; but those close to him knew that he was often exhausted by the sheer weight of his responsibilities and the hazards he faced daily.

In October, 1976, former Lebanese president Suleiman Fran-

jeh nominated Haddad to act as commanding officer of southern Lebanon. His assignment was to re-establish order in what had become known as Fatahland, where the PLO terrorists had established bases.

Haddad recruited into his force many Lebanese Army men who had fled to help their endangered Christian kinsmen. He cooperated fully with Israel during the Litani Operation in March, 1978, when the IDF advanced to the Litani River, pushing back the terrorists. When Israel withdrew in the following June, Haddad was left in control of an area extending some 120 km. from Shuba in the east to Ras-al-Baida on the coast.

Haddad persuaded the Shia Moslems and the Maronite communities to overlook their differences and join forces against Fatah.

On April 18, 1979 he proclaimed the "Independent Republic of Free Lebanon." The creation of this republic resulted in a total break with the Lebanese Army. He was expelled and all his rights were withdrawn. His reinstatement came only when he fell seriously ill this month.

Haddad secured full military assistance and cooperation for his enclave from Israel. Through what came to be known as the "Good Fence," his territory's inhabitants enjoyed free hospitalization, in Israel, employment, road construction and numerous other facilities.

In April 1981, Haddad was flown to Haifa's Rambam Hospital for a check-up. He was admitted to the internal care unit suffering from what was reported to be deep exhaustion and extreme fatigue, but he soon returned to his enclave.

He was a charismatic character who gained the friendship of Israelis and the support of Christians abroad. The latter provided him radio and TV stations and other facilities.

He made southern Lebanon an entity to be reckoned with. He faced political opposition and a sentence for desertion in Beirut. He was subjected to terrorist attacks, and UNIFIL was ordered to operate in his territory as though he did not exist. The latter fact contributed to mutual tension and suspicion, which frequently exploded into incidents of greater or lesser gravity.

By the early 80s, Lebanon was no longer a sovereign state, but an occupied territory and a crazy mixture of enclaves, no man's land and spheres of influence full of warring armies. Amid all this confusion, Haddad managed to preserve a relatively stable province.

OPERATION Peace for Galilee greatly enlarged his territory. The narrow strip of land was transformed into a wide belt in which Israel sought to prevent any future terrorist activity. President Amin Jemayel, however, regarded Haddad as a traitor to the Lebanese cause and sought to remove him and his small, independent army

Shamir promises probe of immigrant housing

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir on Friday promised representatives of 11 immigrant associations that he will investigate the problem of immigrant housing in consultations with Housing Minister David Levy and Absorption Minister Aharon Uzan, both together and separately.

The immigrant associations decided to postpone for at least a month a demonstration at the Prime Minister's Office, originally

scheduled for today, to give Shamir a chance to resolve the difficulties.

Some 20,000 immigrants are living in temporary facilities because of the lack of permanent government housing.

TIBET. — Tibet has 5,000 television sets, one for every 380 persons, and most of the region is out of broadcast range, China's official Xinhua news agency said yesterday.

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Zhao: No place for U.S. in China-Taiwan reunion talks

SAN FRANCISCO (AP). — Chinese Premier Zhao Ziyang wound up a two-day visit to America's largest Chinese community by admonishing the U.S. again to adopt a hands-off policy on the issue of reunifying Taiwan and the mainland.

"There has been considerable development in the relations between China and the U.S. since the establishment of diplomatic ties in 1979, but things are not as satisfactory as one could wish," Zhao said there on Friday night.

His speech at a hotel brought out about 800 orderly pro-Taiwan demonstrators. But no protesters were on hand yesterday as he walked across a red carpet and boarded a U.S. Air Force jet for a flight to New York.

On Thursday, the premier told a news conference here that Taiwan would enjoy full autonomy under proposed reunification with the mainland, but at the same time noted that he could not promise to exclude military force to regain

control of the island. Speaking through an interpreter, he said that the U.S. has no place in reunification talks, "because this is China's internal affair." He added, "We only ask the U.S. not to place any obstacles to the peaceful return of Taiwan to the motherland."

Experts said Zhao's detailed description Thursday of the freedoms Taiwan would retain under reunification could mark a "welcome advance" in bringing the two sides together.

Zhao said Taiwan would not be taxed by Peking and could keep its own armed forces, maintain an independent judiciary and political system and have representation in Peking.

"It will not be a case of the mainland swallowing up Taiwan or vice versa," Zhao told more than 300 Chinese-Americans. "We have proposed that after reunification, Taiwan and the mainland shall both be part of the People's Republic of China, and Taiwan will become a special administrative region."

Fire in South Korean hotel leaves 37 dead, 75 injured

SEOUL (AP). — After a grim, day-long search, the South Korean authorities in the southern port city of Pusan yesterday put the death toll at 37 and said 75 people were injured in a fire that raged through a tourist hotel.

Military helicopters which joined firefighters were credited with saving nearly a score of people, lifting them from the roof of the 10-storey Daesil Hotel or plucking them from open windows, reports from the site said. But one man died when he fell from a line lowered by a helicopter that was trying to lift him to safety.

Headquarters of the Pusan fire department said 19 men and 18 women died in the fire, or from injuries suffered in leaps from the

building, as they sought to escape the flames and smoke. Eight of the victims were said to have died during the day at hospitals.

Police listed five Japanese among the fatalities. Earlier reports had said that nine Japanese and three people from Taiwan were the only foreigners registered at the hotel.

Pusan authorities said an investigation is continuing, but that it was "presumed" an overheated kerosene stove in a fourth-floor sauna-health club area of the hotel was responsible for the fire.

Pusan, a city of about three million people south of Seoul, is South Korea's biggest port and a popular site for tourists from Japan, with which it is linked by ferry service as well as airlines.

Taxi drivers' fee-hike strike sparks rioting in Hongkong

HONGKONG. — Calm returned here yesterday after a night of bloody rioting and looting at the height of a strike by taxi drivers protesting against higher registration taxes and licence fees.

Thousands of youths, many in their teens, rampaged through Hongkong's twin city of Kowloon on Friday, after taxis blocked traffic and created mass confusion in the streets. By midnight, when police finally dispersed the rioters with baton charges and tear gas, 34 persons, including four police officers, had been injured and 150 arrested.

The taxi drivers did not take part in the riots, police said, and had meanwhile called off their strike after the government undertook to

reconsider the hikes. Several legislators denounced the increases as unrealistic.

The disturbances began when a young man was arrested after throwing a bicycle bell at a passing police car.

Crowds then pelted a nearby police station with stones and bottles, and gangs of young Chinese launched on a looting spree, flipping shutters from shops and starting fires.

At one point, hundreds of people pushed a double-decker bus into the centre railings of Nathan Road and tried to set it ablaze. Police said there were more than 100 reports of arson, robbery and criminal damage.

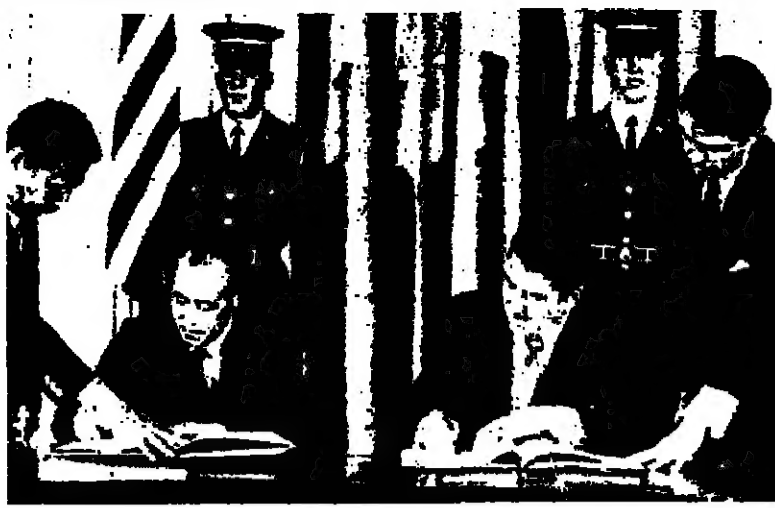
Mauritius ousts 'interfering' Libyans

PORT LOUIS, Mauritius (Reuters). — Mauritius Prime Minister Anerood Jugnauth said yesterday that Libyan diplomats were expelled on Friday because they were interfering in the island's affairs and had tried to destabilize the country. Jugnauth, in his first comment on the expulsion, told a news conference: "The situation had become so intolerable and our decision was taken so as to safeguard the dignity and sovereignty of our country." He said that the moment had come when Mauritius had to expel the Libyans and ask for closure of the em-

bassy. Jugnauth said the Libyan "People's Bureau" had issued a document by Libyan leader Muammar Gaddafi in the past few days which was an "insult to the Christian religion."

The Prime Minister said he had no doubt that the document called for a cultural revolution.

Libya's senior envoy to Mauritius, Ibrahim Jaddy, said on leaving for London Friday night that the forces of imperialism, reaction, colonialism and Zionism were behind the move.



U.S. President Ronald Reagan and Chinese Prime Minister Zhao Ziyang simultaneously sign a five-year extension agreement on science and technology last Thursday at the White House. Also signed was an agreement on industrial and technological cooperation. (UPI telephoto)

U.S. says Soviets violating three arms control pacts

WASHINGTON (AP). — The U.S. on Friday accused the Soviet Union of violations or probable violations of three arms control agreements, three days before U.S. President Ronald Reagan is to make a major speech on U.S.-Soviet relations.

One senior official said a classified report will be presented to the U.S. Congress, outlining seven categories of Soviet abuses of various agreements, including the SALT I and SALT II strategic arms limitation treaties.

The source, who asked not to be identified, said the violations included installation of an anti-ballistic missile radar system, testing a new intercontinental ballistic missile, preparing another banned ICBM, masking data on missile tests needed to verify compliance with treaties and providing biological weapons to allies in Southeast Asia.

The alleged violations also included using chemical weapons in

Afghanistan, and underground test explosions of magnitudes beyond treaty limits.

The report was ordered last October in the wake of claims by Senate conservatives that the Soviets were not living up to SALT I and SALT II.

The report says the Soviets are developing more "new" missiles than allowed by the SALT pacts, which say each side can develop no more than one such weapon. But some upgrading, or modernization, of existing missiles is permitted.

The report also says the Soviets are testing two new missiles, the SSX-24 and the SSX-25. The Soviets say the SSX-25 is their one "new" missile permitted by the treaties, while the SSX-24, also known as the PL-5, is only a modernization of their SS-13.

Both nations insist they are observing both SALT treaties, though SALT II was never ratified by the U.S. Senate.

Magnets help save children with cancer, doctors say

LONDON (AP). — Children who were dying from cancer have been given new hope of life by having their bone marrow filtered using magnets, a team of doctors reported on Friday.

Dr. John Kemshead, who leads the London team using the method, told a news conference that the children suffered from severe cancers that did not respond to normal doses of drugs.

The new method involves removing some of the bone marrow so that infection-fighting cells — generated in the marrow — are not wiped out when the patient is subjected to heavy doses of drugs and radiotherapy. The removed marrow is then subjected to special filtration using magnets and re-injected in the patient, he said.

Details of the process, which theoretically could be used in many types of childhood and adult

cancer, were published on Friday in *The Lancet*, a leading medical weekly.

Seventeen of 18 children from Britain, Ireland, France and the U.S. who have been given the treatment starting last April are still alive, said a member of the team, Dr. Jennifer Treleven.

Maureen Tomison, spokeswoman for the Imperial Cancer Research Fund, said the one child who died succumbed to an infection that set in before doctors could re-inject the filtered bone marrow.

Treleven said most of the children, suffering from neuroblastoma, a malignant tumour of the nervous system. The patients had been given only a few months to live before being selected for the new process, and while it is still too early to say they will not suffer a relapse, the signs are hopeful, she said.

Nicaragua admits downing U.S. helicopter

MANAGUA. — The leftist Sandinista government has acknowledged that its troops shot down a U.S. Army helicopter and said it "deplores the incident," but has blamed it on the U.S. military presence in Central America.

Meanwhile, the newspaper *Barricada*, voice of the Sandinistas, on Thursday called the just-released Kissinger commission report on Central America "a continuing threat to the stability of the region."

The Nicaraguan government has made no comment on the report, released in Washington, which warns of the threat of Soviet and Cuban penetration of Central America and recommends increased military aid to El Salvador.

In Washington, the Defence Department said the U.S. made an official protest to Nicaragua, holding it responsible for the death of the downed helicopter pilot.

Nicaragua's statement, issued late Wednesday, said the troops shot at a military helicopter that was inside Nicaraguan territory, but carefully avoided any admission that the Nicaraguans had killed the American.

Officials in Washington and at the U.S. Embassy in Tegucigalpa, Honduras, said the pilot, Chief Warrant Officer Jeffrey Schwab, was killed by "hostile fire" from Nicaragua after his helicopter made a forced landing on Wednesday about 200 metres from the border — inside Honduras.

U.S. President Ronald Reagan's spokesman Larry Speakes on Thursday denounced the attack on Schwab as "reckless and unprovoked."

Questioned at a news conference about possible military retaliation, U.S. Secretary of State George Shultz replied: "If what you are asking is, is there a plan or an instinct on the part of the administration to undertake a military operation directly in Nicaragua? — the answer is no."

Elsewhere in the U.S., four Democratic Party presidential candidates have criticized U.S. policy in Honduras, with two of them calling for withdrawal of U.S. troops. Senator Gary Hart, campaigning in Boston, said on Thursday that he will introduce legislation calling for removing forces "before another

Study links cholesterol to heart attack

WASHINGTON (AP). — Scientists said on Thursday they finally have conclusive proof that lowering blood cholesterol can reduce the incidence of heart attack and coronary disease.

The results of a 10-year study remove all doubts that people can reduce their heart disease risk through lower-fat diets and in some cases, drugs that strip cholesterol from the body.

The test, which involved more than 3,800 men studied at 12 U.S. medical centres, showed that lowering cholesterol reduced the incidence of heart attacks by an average of 19 per cent, said Dr. Basil Rifkind of the National Heart, Lung and Blood Institute, which sponsored the study.

The results also show that reducing cholesterol reduces incidents of painful angina and the need for coronary bypass operations, Rifkind told a news briefing.

Although the trial primarily was designed to test the effects of using a cholesterol-lowering drug on middle-aged men with elevated levels of blood fats, Rifkind said the results have implications for all.

Afghan chief says Soviets to remain

NEW DELHI (AP). — Babrak Karmal, Afghanistan's Soviet-installed president, said in the capital of Kabul that Soviet troops would remain in the country until "our frontiers are made safe," the state-run Radio Afghanistan said on Friday.

He said U.S. imperialism, China, Pakistan and other hegemonists and reactionaries are waging an undeclared war against us.

According to Western analysts, there are more than 100,000 Soviet troops in Afghanistan.

In Moscow yesterday, the Soviet army daily reported that the Salang road tunnel, on the one major route between the Soviet Union and Kabul, is used only during the day for fear of Afghan guerrilla attacks.

The *Krasnaya Zvezda* (Red Star) said Soviet troops now control traffic through the tunnel, the highest in the world, and direct its security against guerrilla ambush.

The 2.6 km. tunnel, in the Hindu Kush Mountains, was the scene of a major disaster in November 1982 when hundreds of people, including Soviet troops, were reported to have been asphyxiated in it after a fire.

Some reports said then the disaster was the result of a guerrilla attack.

EGYPTAIR — Egyptair has ordered three fuel-efficient Boeing 767 twin jets to be delivered in July for about \$150 million, Boeing Commercial Airplane Co. officials said in Seattle.

S. African troops withdraw from 5-week stay in Angola

JOHANNESBURG. — Hundreds of South African soldiers headed south yesterday from battlefields in Angola after Pretoria pledged to withdraw its troops by today from a five-week campaign against Namibian (South West African) guerrillas.

A South African Defence Force spokesman in Pretoria said the troops, slowed by rainy weather and the need to sweep for land mines, were confident of leaving the area by today.

South Africa says about 2,000 of its troops killed up to 500 enemy soldiers during the campaign deep in Angola, which it says was aimed at heading off an annual offensive by the guerrillas from Angolan bases into Namibia. Pretoria put its losses at 21.

Operation Askari was one of the toughest and biggest battles in the 17-year-old war between South Africa and guerrillas of the South West African People's Organization (SWAPO).

Major-General George Meiring, South Africa's top military commander in Namibia, said his troops killed 100 SWAPO fighters, and the remaining dead were Cubans and Angolans.

Journalists flown into southern Angola in South African helicopters yesterday watched one column of 200 vehicles 14km. long withdrawing south to Namibia, and officers said another two columns were also heading south.

Among captured weapons shown to journalists were three Soviet-made AGS-17 30mm. automatic grenade launchers.

In Washington, two private groups charged on Friday that the U.S. has licensed \$28.3 million worth of military technology sales to South Africa in violation of a

U.N. embargo forbidding such transactions.

The State Department acknowledged that it did approve licences for the sale of items subject to U.S. government control, but said all but one sale were for civilian use and therefore did not violate the embargo.

In that one instance, involving the sale of electronics equipment for howitzers and naval craft, the transaction was carried out fraudulently and the guilty parties have been sentenced to prison terms, a Department press officer said.

Accord reached on more Soviet aid for Angola

MOSCOW (AP). — The Soviet Union and Angola, having announced a three-way accord with Cuba to strengthen Angolan defences, on Friday signed agreements calling for an increase in Soviet economic aid to the African nation, the TASS news agency reported.

The agreements called for Soviet help in building oil depots, machinery repair shops, hospitals and a major fishing port facility, Tass said.

On Thursday, Soviet, Angolan and Cuban officials met to discuss the situation in Angola, where Soviet-backed Cuban troops are stationed.

Tass said that following the meeting, "accord was reached on rendering assistance to the People's Republic of Angola in the strengthening of its defences, independence and territorial integrity."

Moslem foreign ministers call to end Iran-Iraq war

RABAT (Reuters). — Moslem foreign ministers, winding up a three-day conference here yesterday, urged Iraq and Iran to end their 40-month-old Gulf war and resolve the conflict peacefully.

Officials of the Islamic Conference Organization (ICO) said the call was made in a draft resolution adopted by the ministers and would be submitted to an Islamic summit meeting due to open in the Moroccan city of Casablanca tomorrow.

The draft appealed to both countries to "end military operations and pull their troops back to international borders," the officials said.

It also expressed satisfaction at what they described as Iraq's approval of previous ICO resolutions and other peace calls.

When a number of countries proposed a similar motion at an ICO ministerial meeting in Bangladesh last month, Iranian Foreign Minister Ali Akbar Velayati staged a stormy walkout.

The foreign ministers, meanwhile, continued efforts to reconcile draft resolutions presented by Syria and the PLO on the Palestinian issue.

Fabib Chatti, secretary-general of the 43-member ICO, told reporters on Friday night that there were slight differences between the PLO and Syrian papers, but added: "There is basically no problem on broad lines."

He said the ministerial meeting would submit three main draft resolutions to the Casablanca heads of state conference on the Middle East, the Gulf war and Afghanistan.

Two Soviet trade officials executed

MOSCOW (AP). — Two Soviet officials involved in the import and export of technical equipment for electrical power stations have been executed for "systematically taking big bribes," the official news agency TASS announced on Friday.

Yuri Snelyakov, chairman of the technical products export division of the State Committee for Foreign

Economic Relations, and V.A. Pavlov, head of the import branch of the same agency, were executed after the Supreme Soviet rejected their appeal for clemency, Tass said.

It did not say how the two were executed or when. The Soviet Union typically uses firing squads to carry out capital punishment.

Kirkpatrick to remain at UN

UNITED NATIONS (AP). — U.S. Ambassador Jeane Kirkpatrick has decided to remain at her UN post to avoid disrupting U.S. President Ronald Reagan's foreign policy team during an election year, well-informed sources said on Friday.

Kirkpatrick declined comment, but her spokesman Joel Blocker said her disinclination to comment "should not be interpreted as an affirmation or denial" of the report.

Sources, who requested anonymity, said Kirkpatrick made up her mind a month ago to stay on with virtual certainty, until the end of Reagan's first term next January.



Jeane Kirkpatrick

Philippine FM Romulo retires at age 85

MANILA (AP). — Philippine Foreign Minister Carlos Romulo ended a career as one of the world's oldest diplomats yesterday, praising President Ferdinand Marcos as the "quintessential Filipino."

In tearful, nationally-televised ceremonies at the presidential palace, Romulo exchanged accolades with Marcos, who called him a legend in his own time and an institution.

The day marked the foreign minister's 85th birthday and his retirement from more than 50 years of public service.

UN urges S. Africa to commute sentence

UNITED NATIONS (AP). — The UN Security Council, by a vote of 15-0 on Friday, called upon South African authorities to commute the death sentence of Malesela Benjamin Maloele, who stands convicted of killing a South African policeman.

The council, at a brief meeting devoid of speeches, acted in response to a letter sent last Tuesday by Togolese Ambassador Atsu-Koffi Anagba, who said Maloele was a member of the African National Congress. The ANC, which seeks an end to white minority rule in South Africa, is outlawed in that country.

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TEL AVIV STOCK MARKET REVIEW

Share market continues at low level

By JOSEPH MORGENTHAU
Post Finance Reporter

In the early part of last week, stock prices reached an unprecedentedly low level, but a technical rally was responsible for a minor upward adjustment. Characteristic of last week's market activity was the inordinately low level of share trading. The lack of interest in share trading and investments on the part of the general public is traceable to ongoing political and economic developments.

Finance Minister Yigal Cohen-Or and the Ministerial Economic Committee eventually decided that the proposed cuts, in the spending of various ministries, would be \$58 billion instead of the original figure of \$100 billion.

Even this was hailed as a major achievement. However, more than one economic analyst has pointed out that the road from decision on budgetary cuts to their enactment is strewn with obstacles.

This was underscored when a petition signed by some of Israel's leading economists urged sharp budgetary cuts, among other suggestions. The economists warned that if this is not done, then the country will be faced with an "economic holocaust." The politically and economically crisis ridden atmosphere was not helped by accusing and inflammatory statements issued by Industry and Trade Minister Gideon Patt, who blamed the Histadrut for the current condition of "chaos." In addition there was the news that Bank Hapoalim is currently carrying out an investigation into the propriety of the activities of Ya'acov Levinson during the period of his chairmanship of the board of the America-Israel Corporation.

The public was also reminded of its personal headaches connected with the bank shares fiasco. As January 20 approaches, investors must finalize their decision whether to block their bank share holdings for a minimum of four years. The decision, in reality, is being forced on many of the shareholders. At current price levels the bank shares are trading at levels which give them a dollar value of approximately one third of what they were on the fateful October 6, 1983 date. The decision in some cases, is proving to be agonizing. For those for whom their bank share holdings represents a major part of their savings it is hard to lock up these shares for a period of four years and thus make the holding totally inaccessible. On the other hand they are not ready to sell them and to take a real loss.

For senior citizens the decision was easier. They need only to "lock up" the shares for a period of two years. Many individuals have opted for blocking a part of the bank

shareholdings and for leaving a part unblocked. In any case, according to reports from the banking community, apparently nearly half of the bank share holdings, which could be placed in savings schemes, had been so assigned by the week's end. By the end of the week the process will be completed as the January 20 cut-off date will have been reached.

Even in the current depressed conditions there was plenty of volatility on the share market. There were some very steep losses including: Otzar Hityashvut Hayehudim (-23.5 per cent), Kopel (-20 per cent), M.L.L. (-39 per cent), Amnonim (-40 per cent), and Africa-Israel (-17 per cent).

The one-session 200 per cent jump in the price of the Ata C shares spotlighted the ongoing condition of many of the shares on the Tel Aviv Stock Exchange. The beleaguered Ata Textile Company had announced a rights issue aimed at raising new and substantial capital for rescuing the ailing textile concern. The shares of Ata were so depressed that when it came time for their price to be adjusted to the ex-rights situation it would have implied an impossibility — the Ata shares would have been priced below zero value. The exchange decided arbitrarily to price the Ata shares, on an ex-rights basis at 10 agorot. A massive demand for the shares drove their price up to 30 agorot and therefore the 200 per cent jump. "It was a typical sleight of hand act and related to Middle Eastern illusions," quipped an observer.

During the late-in-the-week technical rally a number of shares picked up sharp gains. These included: Dubek (+28 per cent), Israel Can (+24 per cent), Hassneh (+27 per cent), Fertilizers (+24 per cent) and Clal Israel (+30 per cent).

The index-linked bond market

continued to be the beneficiary of staunch support of the Bank of Israel. The central bank acted as buyer, while mutual funds and private investors were on the selling end. Today the cost-of-living price index for December will be announced and in all probability will be faced with another "shocker" which will be in the order of more than 14 per cent.

While the ongoing technical rally may spill over into this week's activities there is little likelihood that a meaningful rally can develop. Israeli shares traded in the U.S. saw a definite firming of prices. Seitel and Elscint advanced moderately. InterPharm which started the week at the \$5 level stood at \$6.50 on Friday.

The company, which specializes in research and development and manufacture of interferon-based substances, is rumored to have achieved an important commercial breakthrough. Company officials, when contacted, were non-committal, and would only say that progress was proceeding as planned. In the past year InterPharm announced that it was the beneficiary of limited partnership commitment of \$11 million to its research and development programme. Among its products which last year were undergoing clinical evaluation in Israeli hospitals is a substance aimed at curing herpes.

Elscint Ltd., which has successfully raised millions of dollars on the American capital market, was finding it difficult to gain approval for its \$61 million tax-shelter offering. The Tel Aviv Stock Exchange is withholding approval and has asked for clarifications and apparently has requested changes in the prospectus. The delay has resulted in a highly publicized squabble between the exchange and Dr. Avraham Suhani, Elscint's president.

\$20 billion development plan for Alexandria

ALEXANDRIA (Reuters). — Egyptian Minister of Local Government and Popular Development Saad Mahmoud last week inaugurated a 20-year scheme aimed at expanding and developing the ancient Mediterranean city of Alexandria. Officials said the scheme, estimated to cost about \$20 billion, included preservation of the city's unique coastal character. At the same time it will undertake construction of new roads and other facilities to cope with a population expected to reach about five million by the turn of the century. The city has around three million people at present.

The scheme was prepared by Alexandria University in cooperation with the University of Liverpool.

Increased role for private sector in Iraq

BAGHDAD (Reuters). — Iraq, at war with Iran for more than three years, has approved a government budget for 1984, giving the private sector an increased role in the country's economic development. Trade Minister Hassan Ali said in an interview published yesterday.

Ali was quoted by the official daily newspaper *Al-Thawra* as saying the budget has increased allocations for the private industrial and trade sectors by 171 per cent over the previous year.

No official figures were made public in the state-controlled press, apparently because defence allocations are high.

Aridor says dollarization of economy inevitable

By LEA LEVAVI
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Former finance minister Yoram Aridor says the government will eventually have no choice but to go back to his dollarization plan, which he prefers to call a currency stabilization programme.

In an interview with David Margalit on Kol Yisrael on Friday, Aridor said he congratulated the government on its budget cuts, but added that such reductions are no substitute for a complete economic programme that will cure inflation and lead to economic growth.

"Those who criticized me for worrying too much about inflation at the expense of the balance of payments now see that I was not crazy," he said. "Inflation has doubled since my time and it could reach a point of hyperinflation where the economy will be out of control. People who criticized and laughed at my so-called dollarization programme, are now beginning to consider it more seriously."

Aridor said the vicious cycle of inflation has to be broken. "But you can't just go to the public and say that all the linkages to the index are being discontinued." The buying power of salaries can be eroded within reason, but people have to know when the pain will be over, he said.

"Otherwise," he said, "you have to expect the labour unrest we are now seeing. My plan would have broken the cycle at one blow and would have changed the rules of the game to rules like those in other western countries."

Aridor said he had discussed his programme with two prime ministers (Begin and Shamir) and with cabinet ministers. Some supported him, he said, and nobody opposed the programme outright. "I will not say what the prime ministers told me, but the result was that I continued working on the programme after consulting with them."

"I resigned because in the course of the day on which the programme was leaked to the press, I saw that I did not have the backing of my colleagues. There cannot be two options: one expressed in private and the other expressed, or implied by silence, in public."

Aridor said he resigned from his post as chairman of the Herut secretariat for similar reasons — the lack of support from colleagues. "I hope the Likud will form the next government, but you don't win elections if the public doesn't have the feeling that you know where you're headed and that there is unity among those who lead. There can never be unanimity, but there must be a sense of unity."

Libya seeks financing to pipe water from beneath the desert

TRIPOLI (Reuters). — Libya is seeking external aid to pay for one of the Middle East's largest single contracts, \$3.3 billion for a project to pipe water lying beneath its vast desert to the country's northern coast.

Western diplomats here said Libya, whose annual oil revenues have fallen because of the world oil glut to less than half the 1980 figure, last year approached Saudi Arabia, Kuwait and the United Arab Emirates for cash to help finance the project.

Libya is anxious to begin the project, fearing that natural underground springs in the northern coastal area, which currently supply most fresh water needs, will soon become too saline.

But so far the three conservative Gulf states, at odds with the radical Libyan government over oil policies and ideology, have not responded. There are doubts that the pipeline will ever get started.

Rapid industrial and agricultural expansion financed by the country's oil revenues, and steady population growth as a result of improved

health facilities, have been factors leading to over-exploitation of underground springs in coastal areas.

As these springs have been tapped faster than rainfall has replenished them, underground water levels have fallen and in places sea water has permeated the water-bearing rocks.

An alternative to these sources is to tap water from reservoirs lying beneath the desert, which covers more than 90 per cent of Libya.

The project entails digging almost 300 wells and piping their water to the coastal areas where most of the country's population of three million lives.

The total length of the planned pipeline is 1,895 km.

Dong Ah, a South Korean business group, in November was awarded a six-year, \$3.3b. contract to manufacture and lay pipes. The total cost of the project is about \$5b. A U.S. engineering firm, Price Brothers, will provide technology under a separate contract worth about \$600 million.

But there is scepticism here over whether Tripoli will be able to finance the project, given a drop in oil revenues from \$22b. in 1980 to an estimated \$10b. in 1983.

WALL STREET WEEK Anxious stockbrokers look for 'Super Bowl indicator'

NEW YORK (AP). — Sports-minded Wall Streeters are eagerly awaiting the Super Bowl showdown January 22 between the Washington Redskins and the Los Angeles Rams.

At first glance, these "fans" might seem to be pretty short on football understanding. They don't even have the teams' names right. But hold off on any snap judgments. A good many stockbrokers know their Super Bowl history almost as well as they do their commission schedules.

Their special interest in U.S. professional football's championship extravaganza stems from an exotic phenomenon known as the "Super Bowl predictor," and its consistent, if utterly illogical, relationship to the stock market.

Every year since the big game was first played in 1967, it turns out, rising markets have been preceded by Super Bowls in which the winner was a team from the original National Football League.

By contrast, Super Bowls won by teams that joined the NFL when the American Football League was merged in have, with one narrow exception, been followed by declines in stock prices over the ensuing year.

Under that script, a win in this year's game by the Washington Redskins, a product of the old NFL

would be taken as a bullish omen for the market, and a victory by the Los Angeles Rams, from the AFL, as a bearish signal.

Both teams have won previous Super Bowls. The Redskins did so last year, "foretelling" a rise of 4.3 per cent in Standard and Poor's Composite Index through December 31. The Rams, in two championships won while they were operating with an Oakland address, "predicted" a S and P-500 decline of 11.5 per cent in 1977 and 9.6 per cent in 1981.

Super Bowl Sunday comes this year at a time when many investors would settle for anything, however whimsical, that would clear up the outlook for a very confusing market.

After getting off to a strong start in the first few sessions of 1984, stocks suddenly went flat in the past week. The Dow Jones average of 31 industrials dropped 16.54 to 1,270.10, giving back more than half of the previous week's 28-point gain.

The New York Stock Exchange Composite Index fell 1.05 to 36.62, and the American Stock Exchange Market Value Index was down 0.91 at 226.82. Volume on the big board averaged 103.31 million shares a day, against 120.47 million the week before.

Japan rated most competitive among industrial nations

GENEVA (AP). — Japan leads member countries of the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) in industrial competitiveness for the fourth consecutive year. It is closely followed by Switzerland, according to an annual survey released recently by the European Management Forum.

Although Europe's industrial powerhouse, West Germany, maintained its fourth position for the fourth consecutive year, "it slipped back significantly in its overall performance," said the survey which assesses 22 OECD countries, leaving out only Iceland.

"The efficacy of West Germany's industrial machine has distinctly faltered... and the high unemployment rate, largely a structural problem, points to future problems," the report said.

The United States' overall performance, putting it in third place, was "marred by mediocre results" in three of the ten principal factors considered, the survey said. But it added that if industrial efficacy (seventh place), state interference (eighth) and outward orientation (11th) were put aside, the U.S. would rank first overall.

The U.S. comes out on top in human resources and second for

marketing and financial dynamics.

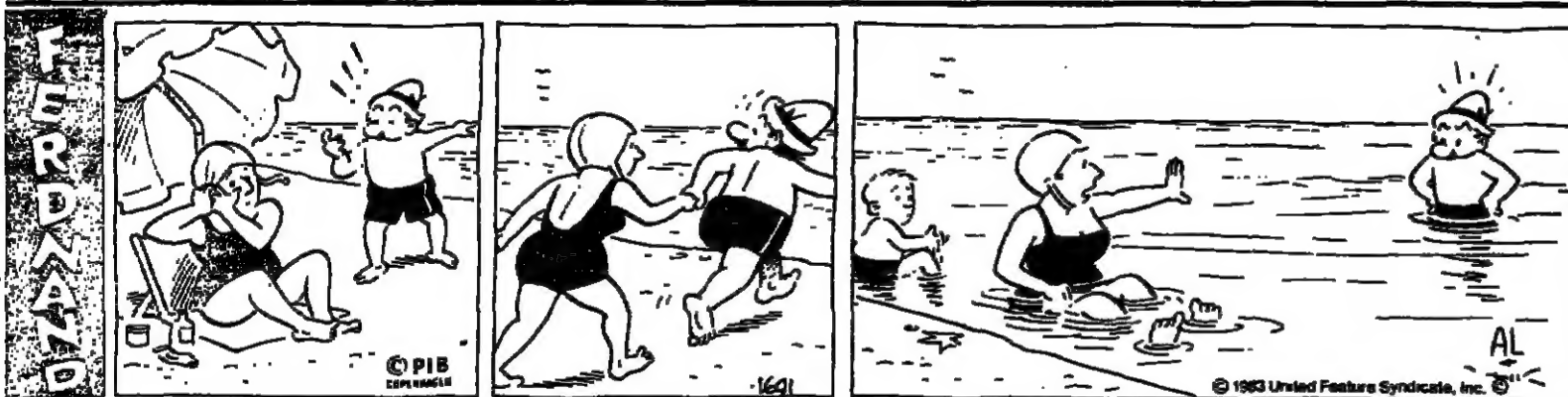
The smaller European economies seem to have adapted best to the recession. Sweden moved up four slots, to fifth place. Finland moved up two, to rank sixth. Norway advanced from 12th to eighth place. Denmark from 11th to ninth place. Belgium, Luxembourg and Italy each moved up one place.

The main losers were the Netherlands and Australia, each dropping five places, to 10th and 11th. Canada fell back from sixth to 12th place.

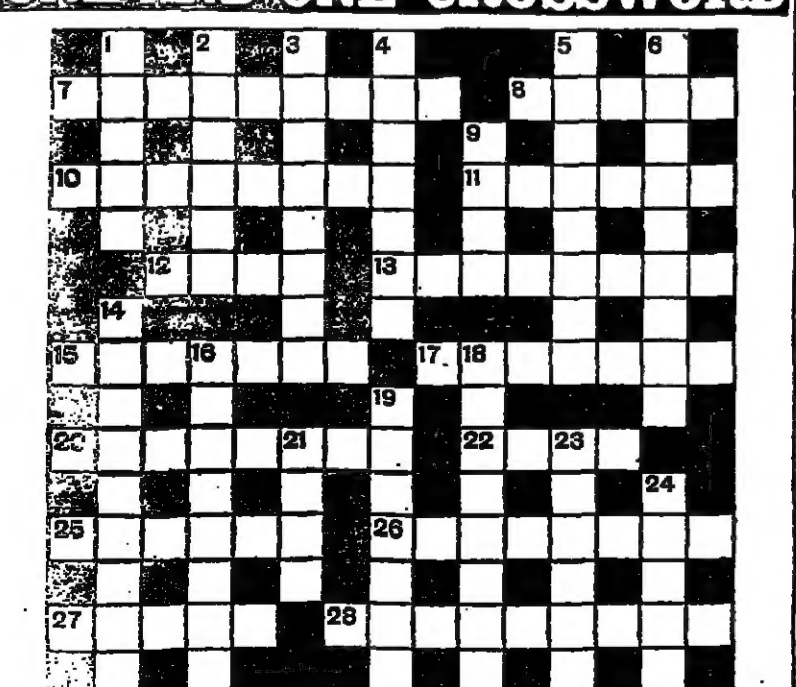
Three of the Big Four European industrial powers, Britain, France and Italy, all performed "very badly," continuing or exacerbating last year's dismal showing," the survey said.

France stayed in 15th place, slipping badly in terms of state intervention, industry's orientation to the outside world, and socio-economic and political stability.

Just ahead of France, Britain did badly on the dynamism of its economy, but the UK ranked seventh and eighth for natural resource endowment (the cost and availability of raw materials) and outward orientation (foreign trade and investments and attitudes).



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- ACROSS**
- Large family of children all of a tremble? (9)
 - Trile and old-fashioned description of cereal food (5)
 - Edge back in front of a dandy French revolutionary (8)
 - Muses partially covered with ink stains (6)
 - Inexperienced new Tory (4)
 - Lines of barges on a waterway? (3-5)
 - Extremely sinister Labour supporter (7)
 - Is restrained by a need for a cordial favouring (7)
 - Where in Spain a veil can get torn? (8)
 - Not all ill-matched couples may decide to (4)
 - Emaciated dog? (6)
 - Go right inside a narrow passageway that is fraught with symbolism (8)
 - What church-goers believe is a form of teleprinter (5)
 - Jibe somehow associated with a Scot who opposed the Hanoverian succession (9)
- DOWN**
- Ghastly old city breaking cover (5)
 - A change I bring in for the birds at the zoo (6)
 - Kind of injury that will cause harm or give us trouble (8)
 - Imposing on a lady who was half related to Byron (7)
 - In some distress after a party game of great popularity (6)
 - A TT race could put him out of business! (9)
 - Two cardinals about to do some packing, maybe (4)
 - A post term, possibly, for figures of speech (8)
 - Downtrodden machine operator? (8)
 - A 20-franc piece of Corsican origin (8)
 - Lustreless vessel rounding a cape in Southern Europe (7)
 - Topping piece of monastic attire (4)
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FINLAND	MARK	1	19.0641	19.2559
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Sports

STATE CUP

Top Division teams humbled but Mac. TA, Betar J'lem crack sevens

By PAUL KOHN
Post Sports Reporter

TEL AVIV — Two clubs which were cupholders in recent years, Hapoel Yehuda and Hapoel Tel Aviv, were yesterday ignominiously humbled out of this year's State Cup soccer competition by teams from the Second Division, joining two other National League teams, Hakoah, Ramat Gan and Ramat Ahim, which also succumbed to teams from the lower division.

Third division Hapoel Acre also lost Hapoel Lod to a goalless draw, and Hapoel Hadera contained Jaffa to a 1-1 scoreline.

Hapoel Holon deservedly won their berth among the last 16 by beating Bnei Yehuda 2-1 at the Hativva Quarter. Within five minutes they had given their hosts warning of things to come with a goal by Rafi Lasky. Leon Pensa made it 2-0 before the interval, and only an Ehud Ben-Tovim penalty gave Bnei Yehuda some hope after the 52nd minute. But Yalacov Rudick in the Holon goal was the man of the match, and he held firm. Hapoel Haifa scored two goals in



JERUSALEM DENIED — Maccabi Haifa captain Yaron Parcelani vaults his own goalkeeper Avi Ran, who clutches firmly on to the ball to deny Hapoel Jerusalem winger Yoav Basson as Haifa win yesterday's National League State Cup match 2-0 in the capital.

the space of sixty seconds to put paid to Hapoel Yehuda. David Halfon started things going with a 67th-minute header, and Azmy Nasser clinched the result, in a second-half performance that reminded fans of the Haifa side's now forgotten heyday.

A goal two minutes before the end saw Betar Ramle to the next round at the expense of Hakoah. The winner was netted by Victor Nimni, and was just reward for the better side: Hapoel Petah Tikva ousted Amidar with a goal by Zion Yosef in the 10th minute.

But the big guns were still firing in Jerusalem and Tel Aviv. League

leaders Betar Jerusalem hit little Bnei Hatzor, a third division combination from Galilee, for seven without reply, at the YMCA stadium. The Jerusalem side took things very seriously in a warm up for next week's match of the season at the Bloomfield Stadium against Hapoel Tel Aviv. The Betar scorers were Arie Zefaniya, two, Eli Ohana, Uri Malmilian, Hanan Azulai, Sami Malkha and Asher Sasson, a 17-year-old making his debut.

At Bloomfield, Maccabi Tel Aviv also cracked in seven, the hapless recipients being Maccabi Beersheba of the fourth division. Avi Cohen headed two, the others coming from Alon Nathan, Vicky

Perez, Motti Iwanir, Avi Yerushalmi and Menashe Shimmonov. Yoram Ohion scored for Beersheba when his side were 3-0 down.

State Cup — 7th Round

Bnei Yehuda 1, Hapoel Holon 2
Shimonon 1, Maccabi Acre 0
Hap. Hadera 1, Mac. Jaffa 1 (after extra time)
Hap. Beersheba 3, Hap. Ramat Gan 1
Hap. Petah Tikva 1, Ramat Ahim 0
Beitar Jerusalem 7, Bnei Hatzor 0
Hap. Acre 0, Hap. Lod 0 (after extra time)
Kiryat Shimonon 4, Mac. Petah Tikva 2
Mac. Netanya 4, Bet. Netanya 1
Mac. Tel Aviv 7, Mac. Beersheba 1
Hap. Yehud 0, Hap. Haifa 2
Mac. Haifa 0, Hap. Tel Aviv 2
Hap. Jerusalem 0, Mac. Haifa 2
Mac. Yarm 2, Hap. Ashkelon 1

ENGLISH SOCCER

Challengers fail to use Merseyside stumble

LONDON (Reuters). — Nineteen-year-old reserve striker Steve Mardenborough turned the English soccer league upside down yesterday. His ninth-minute header gave bottom-placed Wolverhampton a shock 1-0 away win over league leaders Liverpool — the first Wolves triumph at Anfield in 33 years.

The defeat cost the champions a chance of opening a five-point advantage at the top. They remained just two ahead of Manchester United, which drew 1-1 at Queen's Park Rangers on Friday night. West Ham stayed third despite a 3-0 defeat at Birmingham, another club languishing near the foot of the division. Coventry lost their chance of leap-frogging over them by suffering a 2-1 home defeat to Watford.

Wolves produced one of the big-

gest upsets of the season, defying sustained pressure by Liverpool and near-gale conditions to gain their famous victory.

Mardenborough, who replaced injured Mel Eves, and only donned his jersey at short notice before the kick-off, stunned his pedigree rivals by heading home his first goal for Wolves from a Danny Crainie cross.

It was Liverpool's fourth defeat of the season — only Sunderland have beaten them at Anfield — while Wolves can be doubly proud because they also held them 1-1 at home.

The worst weather of the winter reduced the Scottish programme to two matches, while a total of 25 league matches in England and Scotland were postponed.

In midweek FA Cup replays, Spurs defeated Fulham 2-0, Norwich rocked Aston Villa 3-0, Oxford lost to Burnley 2-1, and West Brom limbed Rotherham 3-0.

Division One

Birmingham 3, West Ham 0
Coventry 1, Watford 2
Liverpool 0, Wolverhampton 1
Luton 1, Arsenal 2
Norwich 3, Sunderland 0
Nottingham 2, Leicester 5
Southampton 2, Notts Forest postponed
Sheff. U. Everton 1
Tottenham 2, Ipswich 0
West Bromwich 3, Aston Villa 1
QPR 1, Manchester United 1

Division Two

Brighton 4, Oldham 0
Cambridge 0, Carlisle 2
Cardiff 0, Charlton postponed
Derby 1, Chelsea 2
Fulham 1, Barnsley 0
Huddersfield 0, Blackburn 2
Hull City 3, Crystal Pal. 1
Middlesbrough 0, Portsmouth 0
Newcastle 0, Leeds postponed
Sheff. Weds. 4, Swans 1
Sheff. U. 1, Grimsby 2

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West Indian revenge in style

BRISBANE (AP). — Flamboyant Viv Richards took just 17 deliveries to put the West Indies on top of the World Series Cup ladder with a knock of 37 at the Brisbane Cricket Ground here yesterday. Richards's innings, including six boundaries and a lusty six, in his brief spell at the wicket set the seal on his side's five-wicket win over a disappointing Pakistan.

Pakistan 174; WI 175-5.

In Johannesburg, wickets tumbled consistently throughout the first two days of the four-day match between the rebel West Indian side and South Africa. The Springboks were bowled out for a paltry 160 but then dismissed the tourists for only 193. In their second knock the Springboks are 169-6, a lead of but 136 runs.

Squash is booming

By JACK LEON
Post Sports Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Israel's second annual professional squash championships will take place next month at the Herziya Squash Centre, with a dozen top-flight specially-invited guests among the 30-plus entry expected from overseas. The February 19 to 26 tournament, part of the Squash Rackets Professional Association's world-wide international circuit, is sponsored by the recently-formed Israeli Squash Promotions (ISP). Prize money will total \$6,000, double last year's amount.

Egyptian Mousa Halal, who finished as men's open runner-up at the 1983 event, plans to compete here. Aggie ISP director Hillel Bloomberg told me on Friday, following a meeting with Halal in London a few days earlier. British stars Peter Varrow and Angela Smith also both said they would be returning to Herziya to defend their respective open titles.

The championships comprise a 64-draw men's open — to be preceded by a qualifying tournament — and men's senior (over-35) and veterans' (over-45) events, plus a women's open.

ISP was set up by Bloomberg, vice-chairman of the association, and a founder of the year-old Herziya Squash Centre, with his brother Zvi as co-director. Their imaginative new programme to promote the game here is being carried out in conjunction with both the association and the country's 10 affiliated squash clubs.

ISP's building programme was inaugurated last November, with the

opening of a squash court at Kibbutz Amir in Upper Galilee. Similar facilities are planned for other agricultural settlements, while starting shortly will be the construction of an international standard four-court complex adjacent to the Ramatana Bowling Club.

The new group's first major project was to promote Gray's 1983 Businessmen's Squash League, a round-robin for men and women held at Ramat Gan's Kfar Hamacabiah Squash Centre with the participation of teams from nine local companies.

The tournament — which marked a new departure in Israeli sport — ended yesterday evening with the Burger Ranch taking the championship title with a total of 62 points, just two points ahead of runner-up Taste of Israel. Third, were Avi Marble Coverings, on 51 points. Association chairman Avraham Abud presented the prizes to the winners.

The event was such a success that next winter it will be expanded into a regional tournament, with the winners of northern, central, southern and Jerusalem area zonal competitions going through to the festive national finale.

ISP is this year also launching regional "family championships," based on an event which is extremely popular overseas.

There are at present a total of 25 squash courts in Israel, as compared to only a dozen two years ago. The game is now played by nearly 4,000 men, women and juniors, which represents an increase of 50 per cent over the same period, Bloomberg reported.

S.A.'s barefoot genius

LELIEHOEK, South Africa (Reuters). — Barefoot running star Zola Budd looks more suited to the role of cartoon wif Little Orphan Annie than a world champion. But inside her slight frame are depths of stamina and courage that have made the South African one of the world's leading middle distance runners, at the age of only 17.

Earlier this month, she defied headwinds to shatter the 5,000-metre world record, carving an astonishing 6:42 second off the previous mark set by American Mary Decker, to clock a time of 15 minutes 18.3 seconds.

But fainting by the fact that she is South African, Budd's time will not go down in the record books.

Almost before the cheers — and tears — had died away, the International Amateur Athletic Federation (IAAF) said it would not be accepted under a ruling barring recognition of performances by the republic's athletes following its suspension from the world body because of apartheid. Recognized or not, her time is the mark every athlete will now regard as the target.

The tears on that emotional night in the wine-growing area of Stellenbosch came not from Budd herself, but from many in the packed stadium who cheered her every stride from start to finish. The record-breaking run had been planned; had almost been rehearsed by Budd and her coach Pieter Labuschagne.

"We decided to go for it," said the 31-year-old high school history teacher who has been training Zola for the past four years. "If the wind hadn't been blowing, I could have gone faster." Budd said with honest simplicity.

She made the remark as she sat in the shade of a tree at this small pleasure resort, near the Orange Free State town of Ladybrand, where she and a bunch of schoolmates were spending a holiday. Neither she nor Labuschagne have any doubt she

will soon break the 15-minute barrier for 5,000 metres, nor has leading British coach Wilf Paish, who watched her record-breaking run. He reckoned afterwards that the strong wind cost her at least six seconds.

Budd, whose father is retired from the family publishing firm, appears almost unaware of her rapidly growing international fame. She has received a dozen offers of scholarships from universities in the United States but turned them all down in favour of a political science course at the University of the Free State, which begins this month.

"I would be interested in racing in the U.S. or Europe, but I prefer to go to university here," she said. Zola, who already holds three under-19 world records, hates the fuss that accompanies her success. After her Stellenbosch triumph, it was only on Labuschagne's orders that she ran a lap of honour.

"Once the race is over, she just wants to go home. She is not in show business," said Labuschagne. In the cash-controlled world of amateur athletics, Zola appears oblivious to the large amounts of money she could earn over the next few years. "Money is not important to me. It doesn't motivate me to run," she said. The honest stare through metal-rimmed glasses forestalls any scepticism.

Budd looks almost frail, her thin-boned frame weighing a mere 38kg. But on the track, the 1.56 metre superstar's inner strength shows through with long, tanned legs flying.

Budd smiles when asked if she feels like a freak, as one American coach was reported as saying. Labuschagne interrupts: "If she is a freak, she is the hardest working freak there is."

She admits she loves running for its own sake and resists attempts by her parents to make her take an occasional rest from training. She runs barefoot simply because she dislikes wearing running shoes.



MASTERS TENNIS

McEnroe provides the fire as all four top contenders win

NEW YORK (AP). — Fighting off his own mistakes as well as his opponent's strong challenge, Jimmy Connors defeated Tomas Smid of Czechoslovakia 6-4, 2-6, 6-2 in a topsy-turvy match to advance into the semi-finals of the \$400,000 Volvo Masters tennis tournament here.

Joining him in the semi-finals are the other three top contenders for the Masters' crown — Mats Wilander, John McEnroe and defending champion Ivan Lendl.

Lendl moved up when Ecuador's Andres Gomez was forced to retire with a pulled muscle in his left shoulder. Lendl, who has reached the final in each of three previous trips to the Masters, was paired with Connors in the semi-final.

Lendl was comfortably ahead 6-2, 1-0 when Gomez was forced out.

Mats Wilander eliminated Jose Higueras of Spain 7-6, 6-2.

The real excitement boiled up on Thursday night when third-seeded McEnroe, a volcano of nervous energy, smashed his racket along with his opponent, Johan Kriek in their quarter-final. The reigning Wimbledon champion captured the tension-packed battle 6-4, 6-2.

The McEnroe-Kriek confrontation was a battle between two of the game's most intense and most outspoken competitors. They questioned line calls. Kriek verbally, McEnroe with stares, and neither was in top form.

The explosion, which was inevitable, occurred in the final game of the opening set when McEnroe, thoroughly disgusted with just about everything, including himself, sm-

ashed his graphite racket on the floor, where it broke, the head careening into the curtain at the rear of the court, narrowly missing two lineswomen.

"Code violation, abuse of racket," warning, Mr. McEnroe," intoned umpire Charles Beck.

The crowd, which had seemed to be pulling for McEnroe, quickly turned against the New Yorker and began booing. The incident, more of a release of pent-up pressure or emotion than a display of anger, came after McEnroe's forehead down the line was wide. That gave Kriek a 15-30 lead. But McEnroe came back to win four of the next five points to hold service.

Beck, apparently shaken himself by the incident, announced the score as 5-5, but corrected himself. McEnroe, with that game, had closed out the first set 6-4.

With the pressure apparently released, McEnroe went to work, ripping through his outclassed opponent easily in the second set. Kriek, on the other hand, took out his frustration on the ball, hitting his strokes harder and harder, making more and more unforced errors.

Advancing to the finals of the doubles were McEnroe and Peter Fleming, the U.S. Davis Cup doubles team, and Smid and Pavel Slozil, both of Czechoslovakia.

McEnroe and Fleming, who have won the last five Masters doubles titles, defeated Mark Edmondson of Australia and Sherwood Stewart, 6-4, 6-4, while Smid and Slozil downed the Swedish team of Anders Jarryd and Hans Simonsson 1-6, 7-6, 7-5.

In the first ever Davis Cup tie played in China, the Chinese men's team defeated Sri Lanka to advance to the second round of the eastern zone competition. China have an unbeatable 3-0 lead.

Shlomo takes time off to marry

By JACK LEON

TEL AVIV. — After a year of ups-and-downs, Shlomo Glickstein finished 1983 in 42nd place in the Association of Tennis Professionals world singles rankings. This compared to 38th at the close of 1982, while 12 months earlier he had stood at 33rd in the standings. In contrast to his mixed fortunes in singles, Glickstein was more consistent in doubles, climbing 22 rungs up the ladder during the year, to end 1983 with a career-best ranking of 43rd.

Glickstein, who celebrated his 26th birthday a week ago, on Tuesday marries Lena Levy of Jerusalem, also 26. He begins his 1984 campaign shortly on the U.S. Grand Prix indoor circuit, in what will be his sixth year of competition as a full-time tennis professional.

Glickstein took time off from his wedding preparations to make a surprise call last Thursday at the Israel Tennis Association headquarters here. He was the first player to both pay his 1984 membership dues and sign up for April's second ATP tournament in Ashkelon, where he is the defending champion.

Tennis upset

TEL AVIV. — Thirteen-year-old Boaz Merenstein has joined top seeds Shahar Perkis, Amos Mansdorf and Ilan Sherr and Davis Cup racket Yair Wertheimer in the singles quarter-finals of the Israel Tennis Association's second annual Snauwaert-Sabena winter circuit opening-tournament at Kiryat Hattenuk here.

Merenstein beat under-18 top-tenser Tomer Zimmerman 7-6, 6-4 in Friday's first round, and then yesterday came through 6-3, 6-4 against under-16 International Roy Weinberg.

Italian focus for action-packed week

By DON GOULD
Post Basketball Reporter

TEL AVIV. — No Israeli basketball club has ever won on Italian soil. This grim fact will not deter either Maccabi Tel Aviv or Maccabi Ramat Gan, who set out for Italy this week to play crucial matches in their respective European competitions.

The upset-minded Ramat Gan side could just be the ones to break the taboo when they meet Carera Venice on Wednesday night in the Korac Cup while Maccabi Tel Aviv, fresh from their spanking in a 32-point triumph on Thursday night over Bosna Sarajevo, will be shooting for a follow-up win the next night in Rome against Banco.

The plot of the Champions Cup has thickened like a good spaghetti sauce with Barcelona now the only unbeaten combination in the six-team final pool. This after their splendid 98-80 triumph over Limoges in France last week. The Maccabi victory over Bosna kept their hopes alive as they ended a three-game losing streak in the tournament.

Since the Yugoslavs had earlier defeated the champions Cantu also of Italy and Cantu edged Banco 86-85 in Rome in the Italian derby on Thursday, the Banco-Maccabi game this week could be a key to each club's future progress towards the final.

Sverdlhoff in form

TEL AVIV. — Israel's Ruthi Sverdlhoff, 18, has been in brilliant form in the "Ginny" women's tennis indoor circuit in the U.S., so far winning five matches in qualifying competition in San Antonio and Miami.

Sverdlhoff defeated opponents from Canada, France and the U.S. in San Antonio, before going down to another home player in the qualifying round. In Miami, the Israeli girl beat women from France and Japan and is due to meet an American opponent today.

Pistons drive on

NEW YORK (AP). — The Detroit Pistons continued their strong play on Friday night with a 115-104 National Basketball Association victory over the Chicago Bulls, Kelly Tripucka and John Long scoring 23 points apiece for the winners.

In the rest of the NBA, Boston edged Philadelphia 105-104. Golden State downed New Jersey 114-111. Atlanta beat Indiana 117-108. Dallas defeated Portland 113-110. Milwaukee beat New York 103-101. San Antonio outgunned Houston 133-103. L'Ami edged San Diego 122-119 and Seattle defeated Phoenix 103-99.

Double triumph

CAESAREA. — Invertebrate golfer Jules Cubernek was at the focal point of a splendid weekend double, outplaying with his partners not only his competitors at the local golf course here, but also yesterday's terrible weather.

Conditions were also almost unplayable and the indefatigable pairs who struggled against high winds, chilly temperatures and persistent rain had to hold up play on three occasions. Cubernek and his partner Lulu Gvirtzman, the 1983 golfer of the year, denied the odds and turned in a remarkable 65 net to win the better-ball competition.

On Friday he was in the foursome which took the better ball medal event, the others in the winning team being Alex Davidson, Levi Aylon and Brian Ron. They registered a combined 6 net.

Hockey Results

National League Fixtures
Men: Maccabi Tel Aviv 1, Hapoel Ramatana 4; Netanya Hockey Club 0, Tabeetha School, Jaffa 1.
Women: Netanya Hockey Club 0, American International School, Kfar Shmaryahu 3.



SHMUEL ZYSMAN — dynamic form for Maccabi Ramat Gan. (Rueven)

strong contenders for first place, will be eager to repeat their triumph.

The Maccabi Ramat Gan upstarts also face a stern test in their Korac Cup quarter-final time. Their 3-0 record will go to high bidding on the Italian market as they start their away campaign. Carera need desperately to win to keep their own prospects alive.

Ramat Gan, however, bring a 17-point edge to the contest, thanks to their 98-81 victory here last month. Doron Jamchee (author of a staggering 42 points in the first game), Shmuel Zysman, Carl Amos and Greg Cornelius have all provided coach Ran Kahane with superb basketball in recent weeks.

CHAMPIONS' CUP

	P	W	L	F	A	Pts.
Barcelona	3	3	0	281	237	6
Cantu	3	2	1	244	238	5
Limoges	3	1	2	258	269	4
Mac. TA	3	1	2	272	258	4
Roma	3	1	2	235	241	4
Bosna	3	1	2	251	298	4

	P	W	L	F	A	Pts.
Kamat Gan	3	3	0	265	238	6
Aniaba	3	2	1	238	236	5
Venezia	3	1	2	238	240	4
Crystal Pal.	3	0	3	217	239	3

THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE: (home teams first)

SUNDAY — Mac. RG v Mac. Haifa.
MONDAY — Geli Eylon v Bet. TA; Mac. Doron v Hap. Holon; Mac. TA v Hap. RG; Hap. Haifa v Kiryat Motzkin; Alfa v Hap. TA.
WEDNESDAY — Carera Venice v Mac. RG; Crystal Palace v Aniaba.
THURS — Banco Roma v Mac. TA; Bosna v Limoges; Cantu v Barcelona.

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Haddad's legacy

THE EULOGIES for Sa'ad Haddad that began to be voiced yesterday, promptly after the report of his passing, give honour where honour is due.

While officially denounced by his government and army, it was Haddad who kept the flame of Lebanese sovereignty and independence alive in southern Lebanon through the dark years of PLO supremacy in that area. Last week, in a belated gesture of recognition, the Lebanese Army formally reinstated Haddad, who had been decreed a renegade when he dared to establish his own independent force against the PLO at a time when the Beirut authorities effectively relinquished sovereignty in southern Lebanon.

In his brave campaign to safeguard the villages adjacent to Israel's border, he received aid from Israel, but also gave much in return. For his force, and the villagers from which it was drawn, became an extension of Israel's northern security network against the terrorists. There was a convergence of interests. But it was Haddad's feistiness and leadership which made cooperation possible in the first place.

That cooperation was not without its strains, especially after the emplacement of UNIFIL. For Haddad, to Israel's embarrassment, was sometimes too eager to train guns on some of the UN units when he felt they were collaborating with PLO operatives rather than containing them.

And after Israel's incursion in Lebanon in 1982, when it was clear that Haddad's former role would have to change, there were moments of suspicion and consternation on both sides as neither Haddad nor Israel knew what his new role would or should be.

Yet Israel was never prepared to jettison him, as the Beirut authorities at times insisted. He was an ally, owed allegiance. That debt extends to his family as well, and Israel will no doubt honour it after his death.

His passing leaves a vacuum that will now have to be filled in a new way. No longer can southern Lebanon be considered an enclave with its own force. The security of the villages to the north of the border, and Israel's villages to the south of it, must be safeguarded in tandem by the Lebanese Army and the IDF, with appropriate local gendarmerie on the Lebanese side. Achieving that will also be part of Sa'ad Haddad's legacy.

Sharon versus Shamir

AS IF Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir did not already have enough troubles, he must now contend with a new challenge, named Arik Sharon, within his own party. That was the message Sharon delivered to the Herut Central Committee Thursday night, and already there are rumours that the frustrated Sharon is keen to team up with the fretting David Levy against the team of Shamir-Arens.

Mr. Shamir's wobbly coalition could, of course, collapse even before such a challenge got very far. But if the hazards of the economy don't bring the government down, the uncontrolled ambition of Sharon might do it.

There is after all a demonic arrogance at work in a man who not only believes, but also proclaims, that he is a national treasure who by right, therefore, is owed a national position of executive power. This overweening arrogance perhaps explains why Sharon has been able to switch political parties with such ease. For a party — any party — is of use only to the degree it facilitates his ascension to power.

Within Herut there are apparently large numbers who see Sharon as he sees himself, but fail to see the distinction between their simple esteem and his dangerous self esteem. Mr. Sharon now hopes to parlay this support into a power play, and Herut politicians may well consider it expedient to bend in Sharon's direction.

If this occurs, especially with the help of David Levy, it would signal the end of Mr. Shamir's position of party leadership.

AN ISRAELI who opposes Israel's involvement in Lebanon argues with an American Jew who wholeheartedly supports the war. Soon enough, the dialogue deteriorates into passionate disagreement.

To the Israeli, the American's fervent loyalty to Israeli policies seems dangerously irrational, uncritical and irresponsible, rooted in Likud rhetoric rather than in reason.

When the Israeli sees all his rational arguments crushed against the wall of staunch adherence to official policies, he exposes the American's loyalty to Israel as false loyalty. How? By retorting that those who do not fight in Israel's wars have no right to support the war.

The American is in his mid-40s. His son, a healthy and bright young man, is a freshman in college. Had they been Israelis, they would both be called upon to make the sacrifice which is the ultimate expression of national loyalty and civic responsibility — to take an actual part (and perhaps pay the price) in the Israeli offensive in Lebanon. The Israeli's retort highlights the dilemma of American Jews: the contradiction between being an American and therefore spared the obligation to fight Israel's wars and supporting Israeli military pursuits.

The American is stunned. Years ago, during the Six Day War and before he discovered Zionism, he, as a member of the Left, had argued in the same passionate way with the same Israeli, against Israel's occupation of the West Bank. During that conversation, almost 16 years ago, the Israeli who then endorsed the actions of Israel's government again retorted that Americans had no right to judge. "We alone can judge if we are in mortal danger and we alone fight for our survival in this country. You, who are not asked to risk your lives, should not indulge in such irresponsible criticism."

IT IS NOT surprising that the American is stunned by these arguments. In 1967, the Israeli, as a member of the political majority, denied the right of American Jews to criticize Israeli military policies, on the grounds that those who do not share the burden of citizenship (military service) cannot enjoy the right of criticism. In 1984, as a member of the political minority, he denies the right of American Jews to support Israeli military policy on the very same grounds — that those who are not full citizens and therefore do not serve in the army should not indulge in the support of controversial policies.

Now, the American may ask: "What does the Israeli mean? Does he mean that I can neither criticize nor support Israeli policies? And if so, what role is there for American Jews? Are they expected to contribute money to Israel, but refrain from thinking and expressing their thoughts about Israel? Is it merely a reflection of partisan politics?"

"Is the Israeli simply confusing loyalty to a political party in Israel with the State of Israel itself and is it only because of this confusion that he at one time denies the right to criticize and at another the right to support? Or is there something deeper in the persistent charge that one who does not go as far as risking his own life or the lives of his children should not utilize that other privilege of citizenship?"

But then, if this is indeed so, does it mean that Zionism is a zero sum proposition? Either make ally or cut your ties with Zionism? Can a person be both an American citizen, one who consciously chooses to live in the United States, and at the

Dilemma of dual loyalty

By PNINA LAHAV

same time maintain an emotional attachment to Israel? An attachment that is also intellectual in the sense of thinking about Israel, having independent views about its policies and feeling welcome to voice an opinion without being immediately attacked for insufficient loyalty?

This is only one horn of the dilemma. An American Jew must also face his fellow non-Jewish Americans. When, in discussion, he criticizes American policies which ignore Israeli interests or defends Israeli policies which challenge either American official positions or American public opinion, he exposes himself to the charge of disloyalty to the United States.

In short, a critical, thinking American Jew who wishes to voice opinions about either Israeli or American policies is rebuffed by both sides as a person of dual — and therefore questionable — loyalty. What is the source of this predicament?

THE DILEMMA of dual loyalty predates the State of Israel, and even Zionism itself. Jews, wherever they went, were frequently suspected of dual loyalty — one to the Jewish people, another to the nation which hosted them.

As the Jews gained civil and political rights in Europe, they were expected to turn their backs on their national identity as Jews. Napoleon's famous declaration when he granted emancipation to French Jews expresses this expectation succinctly: "To the Jews as individuals — everything. To the Jews as a people — nothing." Many Jews have accepted this proposition — to be Jews only as individuals and to be politically loyal exclusively to that country which granted them citizenship — and attempted to live in accordance with it. This position was also prevalent among American Jews at the turn of the century.

Take, for example, Julian Mack, one of the most prominent leaders of the American Zionist movement. In 1909 Mack, then vice president of the American Jewish Committee and a non-Zionist, appeared before the U.S. Immigration Committee, which sought to restrict Jewish immigration to the United States. One method by which this could be done was by classifying Russian immigrants into two groups, "Russian" and "Russian Jews." Mack opposed this practice. Implicitly, this classification categorized Jews as a people unto itself.

In an interesting debate with Senator Henry Cabot Lodge, Mack, who favoured restriction, argued that the Jews constituted a race or, in modern terms, a nation. Mack denied any national identity and insisted that Jews were individuals who adhered to the Jewish religion. When you classify the person as a Jew, he told Lodge, "you emphasize the fact that the Jew here is a stranger to our land. That is the thing we resent..."

American Jews at the turn of the century resented any effort to classify them as "hyphenated Americans" who maintained an ad-

ditional identity as a race, nation or ethnic group. They feared the charge of dual loyalty. They didn't want to jeopardize the political and civil rights they so much enjoyed as Americans.

For this reason, they also resented the efforts of their fellow Jews to see the "Jewish question" in political terms. The first reaction of the American Jewish establishment (mostly Jews of German origin) to Zionism was a reaction of complete denial. They viewed Zionism as a challenge, this time from the inside, to their American patriotism.

THE CHANGE in the attitude of the American Jewish establishment towards Zionism, and the eventual acceptance of Zionism as a legitimate political idea was influenced by several developments. Generally, Americans became more sympathetic to cultural pluralism, the idea that the melting pot would not yield a single American identity, but rather many different identities, reflecting the different cultures of the immigrants. Also, the rapidly increasing mass of Russian Jews who immigrated to America resented and resisted both the aristocratic manner of the Jewish establishment and the cold shoulder it turned to Zionism.

Into this arena of deep disagreement and controversy came Louis D. Brandeis, a highly respected Boston lawyer and leader of the Progressive Movement (he later became Justice of the Supreme Court). Brandeis provided the intellectual framework for a reconciliation between American patriotism and Zionism in a formula which stated: "To be good Americans we must be better Jews, and to be better Jews, we must become Zionists."

This statement, strengthened by the fact that it came from a man whose loyalty to America could not be questioned, encouraged and comforted hundreds of thousands of Jews. It legitimized Zionism in the way that most Jews, including the recently arrived Russian immigrants, wanted to see it legitimized — by telling them that the two loyalties could co-exist. That one did not have to deny one's special feelings of identity with the Jewish nation in order to be a good American and that, at the same time, one did not have to make ally in order to be a good Zionist. The formula, for this reason, may have been unacceptable to the Zionist leadership in Israel which wanted American Jews to immigrate to Israel, but from the perspective of American Jews who were not prepared to take this step, it was a redeeming statement, the one that made it possible for them to be active Zionists.

The Brandeis formula could be said to have solved the problem of dual loyalty from the American perspective, but it could not solve the dilemma from the Israeli perspective, which did not even exist in Brandeis' time. The Israeli perspective, one may argue, requires unconditional commitment to the Zionist idea, i.e. uncon-

ditional allegiance, fulfilled only by actual immigration to Israel. Hence, the often-heard Israeli reaction of accepting criticism only from those who fulfill the commitment by coming to live in Israel.

But this simple solution is out of touch with reality. Most American Jews, although committed to Israel and to Zionism, will not come to live in Israel for the simple reason that they enjoy living in the United States. We should also resist the simple explanation — largely a rationalization — that American Jews stay in the U.S. because of the superior economic conditions that the United States offers. Many American Jews remain because they feel they belong in the U.S., because they like the American way of life, because they are part of the American dream.

AMERICAN Jews do not and cannot turn their backs either on their commitment to the United States or on their commitment to Israel. Neither can Israel cut its ties with Americans Jews *qua* Americans. It is because of this basic position that the Brandeis formula, delivered in 1914, so galvanized American Jews. The formula, at first glance, may look like a rhetorical gimmick, a syllogism designed to veil reality with a mask of logic and thus make the idea of American Zionism more attractive. But there is more to it. It reflects the yearning of American Jews to reconcile their two commitments; it supports the feeling that the two are not incompatible.

If we assume that the basic compatibility between American citizenship and Zionism is meaningful, that the Brandeis formula reflects a deeper intuition about the two, then the question returns to the charge of dual loyalty, raised in the argument between the Israeli and the American. Under what conditions can the compatibility survive? When is disagreement a friendly encounter and when does it threaten the very fabric of the partnership?

Take the most recent situation, where Israel tried to obstruct the evacuation of PLO chief Yasser Arafat and his forces from Tripoli against an explicit American wish. When an American Jew defends the American position and criticizes Israel for its policy, is he casting doubt upon his loyalty to Israel and Zionism? Similarly, if the same American criticizes the American position, and defends the Israeli decision to bomb the port of Tripoli, is he putting his loyalty to the United States in doubt? I think not. In both cases one needs to distinguish between loyalty to a partisan political decision made by the current government and loyalty to the country itself and what it stands for.

The American Jew who criticizes the policies of the Reagan government is not being disloyal to the United States. President Ronald Reagan's decisions are the legitimate and official decisions of the United States, but this fact does not insulate them from political partisanship or even stupidity. They may still fly in the face of basic American interests. The critic of any government policy acts as a responsible citizen when he criticizes it as being incompatible with American interests.

Similarly, the policies of Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir, while legitimately reflecting official Israeli policies, are not automatically identical with the basic interests of the State of Israel. Hence, our critic is not being disloyal to the state of Israel when he criticizes certain Israeli policies.

Shamir's decisions are neither more nor less immune to partisanship and shortsightedness than Reagan's. Just as Shamir's decisions are not automatically identical with the best Israeli interests, so Reagan's decisions do not automatically reflect American interests. Criticism of these policies, then, in no way casts doubt upon the critic's loyalty. It is not to any particular decision that loyalty is owed, but to the country itself and the values it stands for.

THIS INSIGHT brings us back to the question of the compatibility of loyalties. In order to exist, there should be a basic harmony between the deeper values of the two systems; there should not be conflict between the core values and interests that each of the countries stands for.

If American Jews were put in a position where they recognized that what was really good for America was really bad for Israel, they would be thrust into an impossible conflict, the consequences of which (short of abandoning the United States and immigrating to Israel) could only be tragic. They might become either alienated citizens in their own country or alienated Zionists, suppressing political and social life among themselves in order to avoid the conflict and condemning themselves to being "half-citizens."

Maintaining a lively and meaningful partnership between Israel and American Jewry means accepting two basic conditions. First, that criticism is legitimate. You cannot expect American Jews to be loyal to the Zionist cause without giving them the right to criticize policies they feel fly in its face. A meaningful partnership exists only between mature and mutually respected parties, and mature parties are also discriminating and critical individuals.

The second condition is the preservation of a basic harmony between the two policies. It is here that we should turn back to the Brandeis formula, for it contains much more than a formal statement of compatibility.

Brandeis talked about good Americans and better Jews. "To become good Americans we must be better Jews, and to be better Jews we must become Zionists." It was this emphasis on the "goodness" in American citizenship and in Judaism that provided the common link. Indeed, it was the vision of goodness that ignited the imagination of hundreds of thousands of American Jews and turned them into Zionists. The goodness in the Brandeis statement reflects his political vision.

Brandeis was one of the most prominent leaders of the progressive movement in America, a movement which upheld individual dignity and social justice and which believed in social reform. The progressives felt that men and women could take their fate into their hands and reform society to make it a better, more just place. So did Herzl and his fellow European Zionists. It was this common vision that united the American and Jewish dreams and harmonized the loyalties to the United States and to Zionism.

Therefore, only if both Israel and the United States maintain a core commitment to individual dignity and social justice, can the compatibility between them be preserved and allow for a harmony of loyalties.

But, a devil's advocate may argue, one need not limit oneself to the historical context of the Brandeis formula. A harmony of loyalties can be maintained so long as there is a basic vision in common. Any common vision will do. For example, were both parties to worship naked power or exaggerated nationalism, the harmony would be similarly maintained.

This, I would argue, is not possible. Not only because it is a perverse transformation of the original vision, which saw goodness as the common factor, but also because naked power cannot live in harmony. Similarly with exaggerated nationalism.

The Israeli is right when he says that governmental policies do not necessarily reflect the goals and values of the state. He is wrong when he insists on military service in Israel as a precondition to criticism.

The American is right when he demands the right to express his views. He is wrong when he applies a double standard to criticism — one for the United States and one for Israel. He is also wrong when he assumes an organic identity between the "goodness" of Zionism and the "goodness" of current Israeli policies.

The dilemma of American Jews can be contained if Israelis and Americans treat each other with respect, as full partners in a cause. Above all, this partnership depends on the ability to retain the message of the original vision of universal dignity and social justice.

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POSTSCRIPTS

ITALIAN Foreign Minister Giulio Andreotti received an appropriate gift when he recently met with Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir — a copy of the English-language volume of *Pillar of Fire*, based on the TV series on the history of Zionism.

Andreotti in 1946 was an assistant to the prime minister of Italy, who was of help in turning a blind eye to activities of Jews organizing "illegal immigration" to Eretz Yisrael. Andreotti appears in a photograph on page 443 of the *Pillar of Fire* album, and mention of his involvement is also in the book. J.S.I.

THE CAPTION under one of the pictures in the November issue of *Aliyah* Letter reads as follows:

"President Chaim Herzog... and Mr. Raphael Kottowitz... pictured with a newly arrived Syrian family, during their recent visit to the Immigrant Hostel in Kfar Chabad..." Sigmund Freud would have smiled.

Aliyah Letter is produced by the WZO's Department of Immigration and Absorption. (Raphael Kottowitz headed this department until, after a bitter struggle, he was forced out.) J.L.L.

ABOUT HALF of the country's kibbutzim have telephones in all their members' homes or are in the process of having them installed. Communications Minister Mordechai Zipori recently called members of Kibbutz Alpha to congratulate them on their new switchboard enabling all members to have a phone at home. Kibbutz Brenner will be the next kibbutz to get such a switchboard, enough to provide lines to 800 apartments and offices in the kibbutz. J.S.I.

ORTHODOX Jews in the U.S. have established a 24-hour-a-day autopsy hotline to help Jewish families avoid autopsies in New York State when they are contrary to Halacha.

Surviving relatives or even friends of a deceased may call to report that an autopsy is about to be performed, and that there is a religious objection to the procedure. According to the new State Autopsy Law of New York, in the face of religious objection no autopsy may be conducted until 48 hours have passed.

The hotline works within as little as 15 minutes to press the authorities not to conduct the autopsy. J.S.I.

READERS' LETTERS

DISSOLVE THE WZO

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post: Sir — The obstinacy of the Herut Party in insisting that the Aliya Department of the Jewish Agency "belongs to them" should be very instructive to Diaspora leaders and UJA donors. It unmasks the basic motivations of the World Zionist Organization "Zionist" partners regarding the "Caesarea process," namely, continued politicization of the Jewish Agency by Israeli political parties, exporting Israeli party politics to Diaspora communities (who couldn't care less), and political control over UJA and Keren Hayesod charity which flows into the Jewish Agency from unsuspecting Jews abroad.

Without access to these philanthropic funds, the WZO would soon be reduced to its real size, an anachronistic throw-back that should have been honourably

absorbed into the government ministries and politics of the new-born State of Israel.

Unfortunately, no Israeli government thus far has found the vision or the courage to dissolve the WZO. Ironically, this feat may turn out to be the most outstanding achievement of the Diaspora leadership, for insistence on depoliticization of the Jewish Agency and frustrating WZO access to funds and patronage may finally convince both the government and the political parties that there are no spoils to fight over and that Zion and "Zionism" can manage fairly well today without the WZO.

PROF. ELIEZER D. JAFFE
Jerusalem.

ERAN

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post: Sir — Philip Gillon's article of January 3 performed a valuable service to the public by providing information on Eran to people in need of emotional help.

I should like to take this opportunity of thanking Mayor Teddy Kolek and his wife Tamar who, since Eran's beginnings, have been steadfast friends of this service and who have, during the years, helped to build up and expand Eran. The Jerusalem Municipality has supported Eran financially, together with the Ministry of Health, ever since it was established 13 years ago.

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